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Running back Emmitt Smith leaps into the end zone for a first-quarter touchdown in Dallas' 20-17 victory over Houston on Sunday at Texas Stadium. Smith rushed for 90 yards.

The Dallas Morning News: Erich Schlegel

Agassi overwhelms Stich, wins U.S. Open

Becomes third unseeded player to win event

By Darryl Richards
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

NEW YORK — U.S. Open spectators expect more than just good tennis when they plunk down money for a ticket. That is a given.

They want Broadway, Radio City and Carnegie Hall, too. They want the New York Philharmonic building up to a final crescendo.

The fans got just what they wanted from Andre Agassi on Sunday.

In the tradition of Jimmy Connors and John McEnroe, Agassi won more than just his first U.S. Open with a 6-1, 7-6 (7-5), 7-5 victory over No. 4 Michael Stich. He won over a crowd that loves winners with flair and gave a sport struggling with its image a shot in the arm.

It was a shot in the arm for Agassi's

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career, too, as he moves from 20th to ninth in the computer rankings. Agassi had wrist surgery late last year and saw his ranking fall out of the Top 20. Agassi said he dreamed about winning the Open but had some doubts earlier this year.

"It was a dream slowly becoming a fantasy," said Agassi, who was unseeded at the U.S. Open for the first time since 1987. "When your ranking falls and you go through an injury that is career-threatening, you do wonder if you will ever be back. I have questioned that a few times."

Agassi became the second player to beat five seeded players in a tournament, joining Vic Seixas who accomplished the feat in 1954. Agassi also is

Please see AGASSI on Page 7B.



Associated Press
Andre Agassi drops to his knees in joy and disbelief Sunday after defeating Michael Stich to win the U.S. Open.

SCORES

NFL	
at Dallas.....20	at San Diego.....27
Houston.....17	Cincinnati.....10
Buffalo.....38	at NY Jets.....25
at New Eng.....35	Denver.....22
at Minnesota.....10	Seattle.....38
Detroit.....3	at LA Raiders.....9
at Tampa Bay.....24	Washington.....38
Indianapolis.....10	at New Orl.....24
at Atlanta.....31	NY Giants.....20
LA Rams.....13	at Arizona.....17
Miami.....24	
vs. Green Bay.....14	
Pittsburgh.....17	
at Cleveland.....10	
at Kansas City.....24	
San Francisco.....17	

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Cathy Harasta column

SMU deserves a large crowd for its home football opener Saturday following its near-miss against 13th-ranked UCLA.

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SMU soccer team falls

North Carolina's No. 1-ranked women's soccer team extends its NCAA-record winning streak to 85 games with a 1-0 victory at SMU.

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Sidekicks win series

Despite an injury to goalkeeper Hank Henry, the Sidekicks defeat Pittsburgh, 5-3, and win their opening CISL playoff series.

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Stars open with 5-5 tie

In an ugly game marked by third-period fights, the Stars open the pre-season by tying the Calgary Flames at Reunion Arena.

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Price takes Canadian title

A tap-in eagle at the par-5 16th hole helps Nick Price win the Canadian Open, his 16th victory in his last 54 tournaments.

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The case against the players

By refusing to concede that diminished TV revenues should affect their salaries, the players face blame for extending the strike.

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AP TOP 25

1. Florida.....2-0-0	14. Texas A&M.....2-0-0
2. Nebraska.....2-0-0	15. Tennessee.....1-1-0
3. Florida State.....2-0-0	16. North Carolina.....1-0-0
4. Michigan.....2-0-0	17. Texas.....2-0-0
5. Miami.....2-0-0	18. Virginia Tech.....2-0-0
6. Penn State.....2-0-0	19. Washington.....1-1-0
7. Colorado.....1-0-0	20. Southern Cal.....1-1-0
8. Notre Dame.....1-1-0	21. Oklahoma.....1-1-0
9. Arizona.....2-0-0	22. Brigham Young.....2-0-0
10. Wisconsin.....1-0-0	23. Ohio State.....1-1-0
11. Auburn.....2-0-0	24. Washington State.....2-0-0
12. UCLA.....2-0-0	25. North Carolina St.....2-0-0
13. UCLA.....2-0-0	(Complete poll, Page 11B)

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Cowboys lifted by Houston's helping hands

Oilers' miscues boost Dallas, 20-17

By Tim Cowlishaw
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

IRVING — The Cowboys were fortunate the Houston Oilers were in town. Kevin Gilbride was lucky that Buddy Ryan wasn't.

On a day when Dallas' Pro Bowl offense had a bit too much of a Weedeater Bowl look to it, the Oilers were always there to lend a helping hand. Dallas escaped Texas Stadium with a 20-17 victory Sunday afternoon and Houston mistakes, particularly a late first-half coaching blunder, made it all possible.

"The Dallas Cowboys are 2-0, and there's a bunch of teams that are pretty good that ain't," coach Barry Switzer said.

The 49ers ain't, er, aren't, and that may be the team Switzer, like most Cowboys fans, had on his mind Sunday. What the Oilers were thinking late in the first half is another story. The score was tied, 10-10 — a fact of life the 14½-point underdog Oilers had to be happy with — and Houston decided to hurry up its offense and throw the ball in the shadow of its goal line.

On a third-and-one at its 14, the Oilers called a pass play with less than 45 seconds to

go and the clock running. A miscommunication from a press box where Oilers coaches thought the team had picked up a first down was blamed. Still, the team was 60 yards from field-goal range and didn't need to risk stopping the clock to give Dallas another scoring opportunity. At least Gilbride, the coordinator who calls the plays, didn't get into a fist-flying altercation with defensive coordinator Jeff Fisher, as he did with Ryan last year.

An incomplete pass gave the Cowboys the lead on Chris Boniol's 29-yard field goal. With each team scoring a touchdown in the second half, those three points were the difference.

"It was a crucial mistake," said Oilers coach Jack Pardee. "I'll take the responsibility."

The Oilers made many others that Please see COWBOYS on Back Page

Not much silver lining in this clouded victory



IRVING — From near perfection last week in Pittsburgh, the Cowboys did a sudden reversal Sunday afternoon at Texas Stadium. This was near disaster.

Read all about it. Bucky Richardson outplays Troy Aikman. Gary Brown outplays Emmitt Smith. Houston has three receivers more productive than Michael Irvin. On any given Sunday, they say, the NFL meek can transform a 14½-point spread into a certified sweat. This was one of those given Sundays.

Except for a multitude of brainless penalties, and end-of-the-first-half brainlock from offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride (may

be Buddy Ryan was right), the Oilers win.

And if the Buckster, making his first NFL start, had been given the ball back with like two minutes left, well...

The Cowboys' defensive troops saved the 20-17 victory, but their total exhaustion, particularly along the front line, made Bucky a dangerous customer. Richardson, always a "gamer" going back to his Aggie days, had the Cowboys on the run, literally. The scrambling, rambling Bucky won the chase, and almost the game.

How many times have you seen Charles Haley asking the sideline for "breather" mercy? Late in the game, the Haley heart was still on go, but the legs and the lungs had come up empty. And Charles hardly was alone. The Cowboys were pushed to the edge, and ready to take a fall. Only the champion... Please see NOT on Back Page

Masterpiece by Montana keeps Young, 49ers at bay

Chiefs use turnovers to win battle of QBs, 24-17

By Rick Gosselin
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Joe Montana won the four biggest games of his life for the San Francisco 49ers. He won the fifth one for himself.

In his long-awaited matchup with the man who took his job and the team that traded him, Montana passed for 203 yards, two touchdowns and a two-point conversion Sunday to steer the Kansas City Chiefs to a 24-17 upset of the 49ers.

"It has a special meaning because it is my old team," Montana said. "But I didn't see it as any vindication. I have too many friends on that team."

The second-largest crowd in Arrowhead Stadium history — 79,907 (there wasn't a single no-show) — watched Montana play flawless football. That was his trademark in the 1980s when he

led San Francisco to four Super Bowl victories. He doesn't beat himself.

Steve Young, who took Montana's job in San Francisco, was not flawless. He had two interceptions, lost a fumble and was sacked four times, including once for a safety.

"It didn't work out the way I hoped it would," said Young, who did complete 24 of 34 passes for 288 yards and a touchdown. "It was as disappointing as losing a football game can be."

Young needed a victory. He has lived in Montana's shadow since becoming the 49ers' quarterback in 1991. Montana missed that season and all but the final two quarters of the '92 season with tendinitis in his right elbow. In his absence, Young won two NFL passing titles. Please see MASTERFUL on Back Page.

SPORTS MONDAY

Wanted: Big crowd to mend SMU's broken heart



CATHY HARASTA

SMU deserves your indulgence this Saturday. The Mustangs have every right to it.

Let's put it this way: If you do not attend SMU's home opener, it possibly could be arranged for Donald Fehr to arrive at your house for a long, long stay.

This, of course, might be an idle threat. But you might not want to chance it.

How much Fehr could you take? Fehr, the executive director of the Major League Baseball Players Association, would bring his personality, which means you would constantly mistake him for an umbrella stand. Except that he would use lots of words such as "disincentive."

The lexicon of the baseball strike brims with the language of Fehr. You

don't want him on your front porch. So there's one reason to make sure you are at Ownby Stadium for New Mexico-SMU.

But SMU gave you a better reason not to miss the Mustangs as they make their 1994 University Park debut.

A couple of time zones away, on a Saturday dominated by big wins by the Southwest Conference's big guns, SMU brought to mind — and to the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif. — a word much older and more important than "disincentive." It was a word so short and simple that you almost never think about it. But you always know it when it's there: Heart.

Banner day for SWC

Did SMU win at then-No. 13 UCLA? No. Was SMU impressive? Yes.

A 24-point underdog, SMU lost, 17-10. Less than a four-yard stretch separated the Mustangs from a chance at a stunning upset. With 1:45 left, SMU faced first-and-

goal from the three and could not manage the touchdown. Coach Tom Rossley did not get the chance to go for the two-point conversion that might have been the game-winner.

That was the second time the Mustangs drew within four yards and could not score. The Bruins, playing without standout receiver J.J. Stokes, prevailed. UCLA recorded eight sacks, which left Mustangs sophomore quarterback Ramon Flanigan deflated, though he was 22-of-34 for 301 yards. That telling stat also amplified the weakness of the Mustangs' offensive line.

Still, four more yards might have made the difference. But by staying close, SMU did make a difference in the way the program is perceived.

The SWC rounded up respect on Saturday. Texas A&M's 36-14 victory over Oklahoma in College Station and Texas' 30-16 triumph over Louisville in Austin headlined the day. Baylor and TCU also won, with the Bears cruising at San Jose State,

54-20, and the Horned Frogs victorious at New Mexico, 44-29.

But SMU turned what could have been an embarrassment into a gain.

"SMU lost a heartbreaker," Texas coach John Mackovic said. "Everyone said the same thing — 'What a great game SMU played.'"

Close is not enough

But nobody makes a Novacaine strong enough to dull the sting of that kind of loss for the Mustangs. Rossley resisted any tendency to feel good about the outcome.

"It's tough to get over," Rossley said on Sunday. "Not coming back with the win was disappointing. When you start patting yourself on the back and you still lose, you're in trouble. We can't lose close games like that."

SMU, which lost to Arkansas in Little Rock in Week One, gets a break this week, simply by not having to travel.

"We've got to come back and guard our own territory," Rossley said. "It was a long trip out to Los Angeles."

And it was a better one than Rossley might realize. He did acknowledge that the game was influential.

"I think maybe people realize that we've got a pretty good team," he said. "There are some games coming up that we have a chance to win."

The New Mexico game on Saturday is one of them. SMU could use a crowd. C'mon — SWC fans will not have a full slate to follow Saturday. The Aggies and the Longhorns have off days.

This is not to say SMU-New Mexico will be Michigan-Notre Dame.

But it might be a good plan to think in terms of Ownby this weekend.

If you need any more incentive than the heart SMU came up with in the Rose Bowl, recall the Fehr factor. An idle threat? Maybe. Maybe not.

MORNING NEWS ROUNDUP

Compiled by Mark Johnson from staff and wire reports

BOBSLED

TWO TEXANS NAMED: Texans Robert Olesen of San Marcos and Todd Hayes of Del Rio were chosen as the United States named three four-man teams for the 1994-95 World Cup circuit. Olesen will be teamed with driver Jim Herberich of Winchester, Mass., while Hayes will join driver Tuffy Latour of Schenectady, N.Y. The third driver is Olympian Brian Shimer of Naples, Fla.

BOXING

CHAMPION KEEPS TITLE: Humberto Gonzalez (40-2) stopped Juan Domingo Cordoba (16-2-1) in the seventh round Saturday night to successfully defend his IBF and WBC light flyweight titles. The ring doctor stopped the bout in Stateline, Nev., when Cordoba's left eye was nearly swollen shut and his right was bleeding. Gonzalez, 28, of Ciudad Neza, Mexico, dominated the fight that drew 1,500 people to Caesars Tahoe.

COLLEGES

TWO UCLA STARTERS INJURED: Carl Greenwood, UCLA's best defensive back, is out for the regular season, and starting offensive tackle Paul Kennedy is out for the entire season after injuries suffered in Saturday's victory over SMU. The 13th-ranked Bruins play No. 2 Nebraska on Saturday. Greenwood, a senior cornerback, had surgery Saturday night on his right ankle, which he fractured in the third quarter. Kennedy, a senior, has torn anterior cruciate and medial collateral ligaments in his right knee, another third-quarter injury.

NEBRASKA PLAYER SHOT: Lincoln, Neb., police investigated a shooting in which a Nebraska football player was injured. Sophomore receiver Brendan Holbein was grazed by a bullet at waist level and required about 10 stitches. Lt. Bob Wilhelm said, Holbein, 20, was injured early Saturday when an argument at a party escalated and shots were fired.

PRO FOOTBALL

BUCS NOT FOR SALE: The Tampa Bay Buccaneers, responding to reports that a prospective buyer is prepared to offer up to \$175 million for the team, issued a statement saying the club is not for sale. The Bucs' future has been the subject of almost daily speculation since the death last month of Hugh Culverhouse, the only owner in the club's 18-year history. The three-man trust appointed by Culverhouse to run the club made the announcement after a meeting with Joy Culverhouse, the late owner's widow and primary beneficiary of the trust.

GOLF

EICHELBERGER BREAKS THROUGH: Waco native Dave Eichelberger wouldn't let trouble get in his way, following his three bogeys with birdies to stop a 13-year winless streak at the Quicksilver Classic in Midway, Pa. Eichelberger, who lives in Connecticut, overcame erratic driving to shoot a one-under-par 71 and become the fifth first-time Senior PGA Tour winner this year. Ray Floyd (70) and Homero Blancas (69) tied for second, two strokes back. A four-time PGA Tour winner, Eichelberger hadn't won since the 1981 Tallahassee Open. The \$157,500 check gave him \$236,410 in earnings the past four weeks. (Results, Page 12B.)

BRITON WINS EUROPEAN OPEN: England's David Gilford fired a closing five-under-par 67 to win the European Open by five strokes in Uckfield, England. The part-time cattle farmer finished with a 13-under 275 score. Masters champion Jose Maria Olazabal of Spain tied for second with Italian Costantino Rocca. Olazabal won his private duel with European money leader Colin Montgomerie, 69 to 70, but neither could catch Gilford. Olazabal lost his chance of catching Gilford when he missed putts of five and six feet at the 14th and 15th, respectively. (Scores, Page 12B.)

PRO HOCKEY

JETS WIN TOURNAMENT: The Winnipeg Jets, sparked by Mike Eagles' tie-breaking goal, beat Helsinki IFK, 5-3, in the final of the NHL International Challenge four-team tournament in Helsinki, Finland.

HEADLINE NEWS

Cowboys hold off Oilers, 20-17
Unseeded Agassi wins U.S. Open
Montana outduels Young as Chiefs win
Buffalo edges New England, 38-35
Minnesota sacks Detroit, 10-3
Giants keep Arizona winless, 20-17
Redskins whip Saints, 38-24
Players face blame for hardball stance
Stars tie Flames in pre-season opener
UNC tops SMU women in soccer
Price takes Canadian Open title
Former SMU golfer wins LPGA event
Grace wins another TGA Mid-Amateur
Canadian wins Texaco-Havoline 200
Brocco upset at Del Mar
Chinese nab another world swimming mark

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Quite obviously, we're going to have to make major improvements between this game and the next game.

Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez after his team's 56-0 victory Saturday over Eastern Michigan.

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OUTSIDE THE HEADLINES

The mutuel clerk behind ticket window No. 1105 is Mike. It says so in neat block letters on the pin he wears on the blue vest over his white shirt. Bettors at Miami's Calder race track have no idea who he is. Who he was.

He prefers that.

Otherwise he might be wearing one of his World Series rings. Or two. Maybe all five.

For Mike Ferraro, it's as if baseball is on strike against him and it isn't going to end. The game won't come back. It won't ever be the same.

He gave 32 years to pro ball before the game spit him out after last year. Minors to majors. Player, coach, manager. Did everything. Now, nothing.

Ferraro played third base in eight minor league cities but had only one full season in the majors, in 1972 for Milwaukee. Then he worked his way back up as a coach, managing five minor league seasons and making it to the bigs in 1979-82.

Ferraro is best remembered as the Yankees third-base coach who waved home Willie Randolph — and watched him get tagged out — during the 1980 AL playoffs. George Steinbrenner's tirade made the moment harder to forget. He served as Baltimore's third-base coach last season but was not invited back.

His phone didn't ring.

"It hurts when you've been in the game so long and you don't even get a response," he says. "It's a cold business on this side of it."

HORSE RACING

EQUPOISE MILE: Slep beat Seattle Morn by two lengths in the 44th running of the \$100,000 Equipoise Mile at Arlington International Racecourse in Chicago. Slep, ridden by Earlie Fires, finished in 1:35 2-5 and paid \$5.40. Dancing Jon was third, another four lengths back.

TEX SCHRAMM'S A WINNER: A quarter horse named Tex Schramm, after the former Cowboys president and general manager, won the first race at Sam Houston Race Park near Houston. The horse paid \$4.20 in the claiming race for 3-year-olds and up over 870 yards.

MOTOR SPORTS

HILL TAKES ITALIAN GRAND PRIX: Damon Hill drew closer to leader Michael Schumacher in the world drivers title race, guiding his Williams-Renault to a 4.9-second victory over Gerhard Berger's Ferrari in the Italian Grand Prix. The British driver scored his seventh career Formula One victory — and his second in a row at the Monza autodrome — by taking the lead at the halfway mark and fighting off a strong challenge from Berger in the 53rd and final lap. The victory, Hill's fourth this season, narrowed his deficit to Schumacher in the world championship standings to 11 points. Schumacher did not compete while serving the first half of a two-race suspension. The German driver also will miss the Portuguese Grand Prix at Estoril Sept. 25. (Results, Page 13B.)

OBITUARIES

JOHN DAVID CROW JR., SON OF A&M HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER: John David Crow Jr., whose father won the Heisman Trophy as a Texas A&M running back, was killed in a traffic accident near Birmingham, Ala., officials said. He was 39. (Story, Page 15A.)

ROBERT MYERS, FORMER SPORTS WRITER: Robert Myers, a Texan who spent nearly four decades with the Associated Press covering World War II from abroad and sports in Los Angeles, died Saturday in Los Angeles. He was 87. (Story, Page 15A.)

SOCCER

ITALIAN ROUNDUP: Julio Cesar Dely Valdes scored the tying goal in the 35th minute as Cagliari tied AC Milan, 1-1, and dropped the three-time champion out of first place for the first time since the 10th week of last season. Sampdoria of Genoa, Parma and Lazio of Rome are tied for first with 2-0 records. At Rome, Giuseppe Signori scored two-first half goals to lead Lazio to a 3-0 victory over Torino. At Padova, Faustino Asprilla scored twice in a 3-0 victory for Parma. At Reggio Emilia, Roberto Mancini scored his 100th Italian League goal with six minutes left and Attilio Lombardo scored in the final minute as Sampdoria beat Reggiana, 2-0. (Results, Page 14B.)

O'BRIEN MISSES RECORD: Heike Drechsler posted the best score of the year in winning her first heptathlon competition in 13 years, and American Dan O'Brien won the decathlon — but again fell short of beating his world record — at the Decastar meet in Toulouse, France. O'Brien scored 8,710 points — the third time this season he's topped 8,700 points — but fell well short of his record of 8,891 points set here in 1992. Drechsler, a junior heptathlon champion who had concentrated solely on the long jump until this meet, scored 6,741 points, 76 more than German teammate and European champion Sabine Braun amassed in setting the 1994 best. (Results, Page 14B.)

U.S. FALTTERS IN WORLD CUP: The United States, home to the strongest collection of track and field athletes in the world, was a flop at the World Cup. The U.S. men, who won the Cup in 1979, 1985 and 1989, finished sixth out of eight teams when the three-day competition ended Sunday in London. The team won only three of the 20 events over the weekend and had six last-place finishes, more than any other team. In addition, the men couldn't get four runners together for the final event, the 1,600-meter relay. One of the scheduled starters was injured and his replacement, according to team officials, was "unavailable." The U.S. women fared even worse than the men, failing to win even one of the 17 events. They had four last-place finishes.

WRESTLING

RUSSIANS DOMINATE: Alexander Karelin won his fifth straight super heavyweight gold medal as Russian wrestlers won all but one of the finals in the World Greco-Roman Wrestling Championships in Tampere, Finland. Karelin, who's never lost to a foreign wrestler and is unbeaten since 1987, beat Hector Millian of Cuba in the finals. The United States finished in a tie for seventh with 28 points.

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TIPOFF

NBA GOES TO COURT TO PROTECT CAP . . .

A U.S. District judge in Newark, N.J., will hear oral arguments Monday regarding the controversial one-year option-out clause, which several NBA teams have used in signing high-price players. The NBA has voided four recent contracts that include the clause, arguing that it's used to circumvent the league's salary cap. The players and teams counter that such clauses do not violate the collective-bargaining agreement and that the league must honor them.

ON THE AIR

MONDAY'S TV

Sport	Time	Event	VCR +	Chn.
Boxing	2 a.m.*	Fight Night at the Great Western Forum**	785690	HSE
College Football	noon	Stanford at Northwestern**	728638	ESPN
	noon	Vanderbilt at Alabama**	472473	HSE
	11:00	Tulane at Rice**	119164	HSE
	2:30 a.m.*	Tennessee at Georgia**	104810	ESPN
Pro Football	8:00	NFL: Chicago at Philadelphia	243034	Ch. 8
Karate	11:00	ISKA Karate	8146725	ESPN2
Motor Sports	noon	Saturday Night Lightning**	4622522	ESPN2
	2:00	AMA Motocross**	4643015	ESPN2
	midnight	Italian Grand Prix**	272023	ESPN
Rugby	11 a.m.	Winfeld Cup Major Preliminary Semifinal**	60270	HSE
Soccer	9 a.m.	U.S. Championships**	52763	HSE
	3:30	Aston Villa vs. Coventry**	380299	HSE
Volleyball	8 a.m.	Four-Man Tour	3831855	ESPN2
Water Sports	8:00	Surfing: OP Juniors**	484788	ESPN
	8:30	WSWA U.S. Open**	587183	ESPN

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MONDAY'S RADIO

Sport	Time	Event	Station

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HIGH SCHOOLS

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Harrison helps Gainesville end Southlake Carroll's dominance

By Heath A. Smith
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

For 72 consecutive regular-season games, no player and no team could stop the Southlake Carroll juggernaut.

Last Friday night, Brandon Harrison and Gainesville finally did.

Harrison carried the ball 23 times for 238 yards, including touchdown HARRISON runs of 80 and 55 yards, in Class 3A Gainesville's 43-21 victory over former nemesis Carroll.

OFFENSE

Harrison also returned a kickoff 70 yards, which set up a Gainesville touchdown.

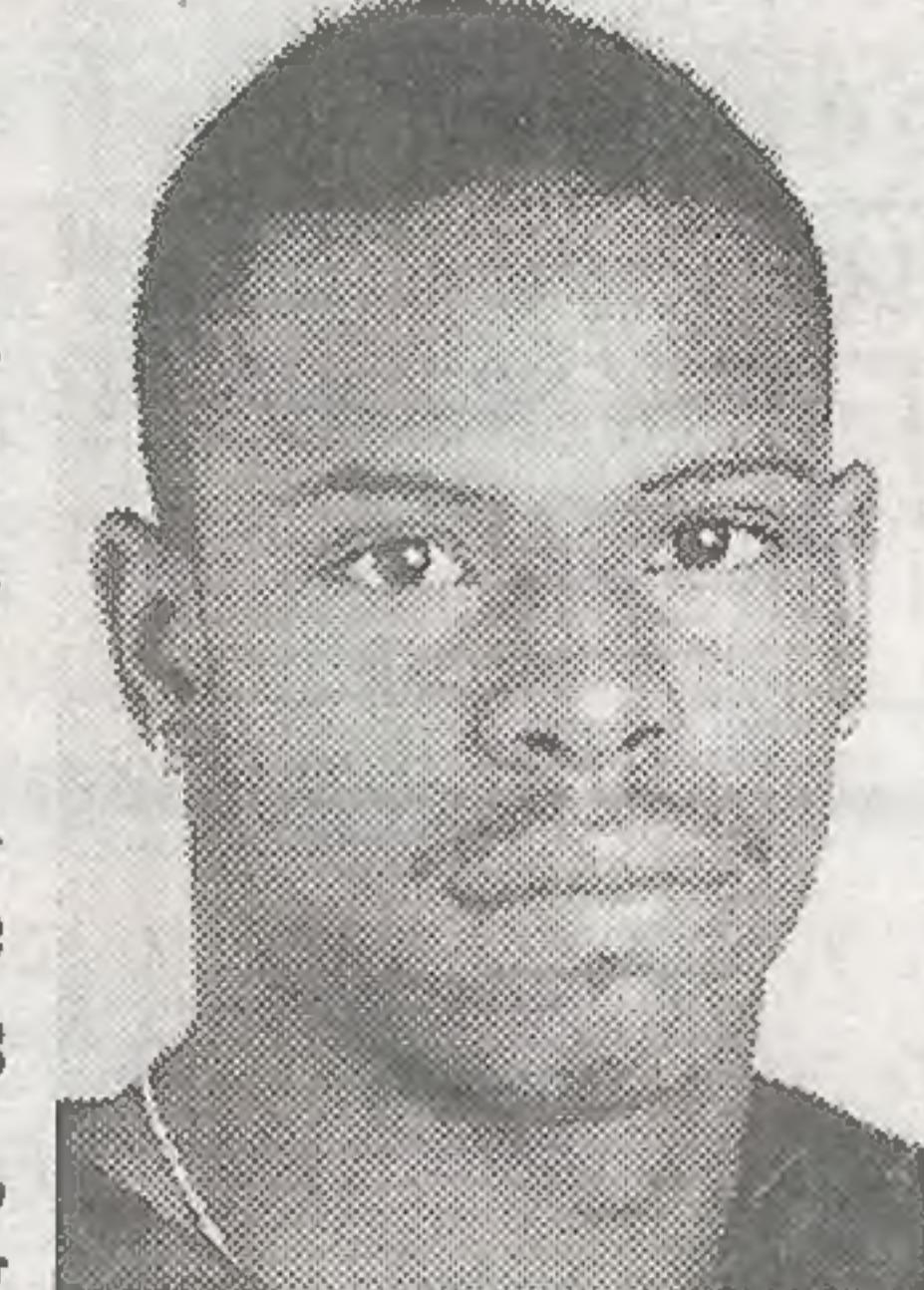
For his efforts, Harrison was chosen *The News'* Offensive Player of The Week.

"I wanted to play the whole game," Harrison said. "I consider myself the leader of the offense."

After years of trying, Russell said it was a team effort that finally beat Carroll, now a 4A school, but he does not doubt Harrison's importance to the offense.

"(Harrison) is not the only go-to guy on the team, but he is a go-to guy," Russell said. "He's going to carry the ball for us the majority of the load. If he wasn't on the field, we'd have to change our offense in some way."

Harrison is a tall back at 6-2, 180 pounds but also possesses 4.5-second speed, which makes him



HONORABLE MENTION

These players were also considered by *The News'*:

Player	School	Cl.	Pos.	Comment
Newton Braziel	FW Dunbar	Sr.	FB	15-115 vs. Arlington Lamar
Ivan Brown	S.G. Prairie	Sr.	WR	274 all-purp. yds., 2 TDs vs. Lewisville
Kadeem Brown	TC-Cedar Hill	Sr.	TB	13-246 4 TDs vs. Italy
Michael Bullock	Lincoln	Sr.	WR/QB	3-91 rec., 6-106 rush, TD vs. Pinkston
Devin Carroll	Justin NW	Sr.	RB	25-191, TD vs. Midlothian
Michael Clark	Bishop Lynch	Jr.	FB	12-113, 3 TDs vs. FW Poly
Michael Earnhardt	Kemp	Sr.	TB	12-169, TD vs. Mabank
Charles Haney	Carr. Christian	Jr.	RB	14-126, 2 TDs vs. Rockwall Chr.
Justin Hodges	Arl. Oakridge	Jr.	RB	14-116, 3 TDs vs. FW All Saints
Larry Holmes	FW Nolan	Sr.	QB	14-116 rush, 8-11-148, 2 TDs vs. Van Alstyne
Byron Jones	Samuell	Sr.	FB	14-79, TD, 3-43, TD rec., vs. FW Arl. Heights
Steve Kelley	Burleson	Jr.	QB	7-14-158, TD, 16-93, TD rush, vs. Coppell
Aaron Leetich	Garland Chr.	Jr.	QB	15-25-183, 4 TDs vs. Waco Chr.
Blane Morgan	TCA-Addison	Sr.	QB	13-17-236, 6 TDs vs. FW Carter-Riverside
Glen Odell	Stephenville	Sr.	QB	11-18-160, 3 TDs vs. Abilene
Jon Palin	Haltom	Sr.	FB	27-170, 3 TDs vs. Richardson Pearce
Chad Richardson	Arl. Allen	Jr.	RB	162 yds., 3 TDs, 2 PATs vs. Jesuit
Chris Sanders	FM Marcus	Jr.	QB	19-33-281, 2 TDs vs. Carr. Newman Smith
Travis Spillman	Rockwall	Sr.	TE	4-77, 3 TDs vs. Garland Naaman Forest
Jamil Thompson	Skyline	Jr.	WR	8-176, 2 TDs vs. FW Trimble Tech

tough to tackle and even tougher to catch, as his two touchdown runs against Carroll prove.

"Anytime (Harrison) gets the ball, he's got a chance to go," Russell said. "In the past, (Harrison has) done a real good job on the sweep. He's got this talent that he can float around the corners."

To make things worse for defenses this year, Harrison said he improved his rushing laterally, going in between the tackles.

Before Friday's game, Carroll had outscored Gainesville, 153-26, in their last three meetings.

No problem for Harrison.

"We got drummed the last two times we played (Carroll)," Harrison said, "but we finally beat them."

Now Russell said his team can breathe a little easier.

"We're trying to keep this win in perspective," Russell said. "We

still have the rest of the season and the playoffs, but it does give us momentum."

Harrison is looking forward to the rest of the season, because there are some things he wants to take care of on the field before he goes to one of many colleges that have expressed interest in him.

"I have two goals this season," Harrison said. "One is to get 2,050 yards rushing for the school record. The other is the state championship. If we play like we played last week, there's no doubt we can win."

There is also no doubt for Gainesville to continue winning. Harrison needs to continue running.

"One of the coaches said you have to play like you're the only person out there making tackles or running the ball," Harrison said. "That's what I try to do."

Fortified Gates fills large hole in middle of line for Mesquite

By Kelvin C. Bias
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

When Mesquite coach Mickey DeLamar lost All-District 12-5A first team nose guard Chris Reavie to graduation, he thought he was going to have trouble finding a comparable replacement this season.

"I didn't know what I was going to do," DeLamar said.

But that was before senior LaJonne Gates, a converted linebacker, bulked up during the off-



GATES

HONORABLE MENTION

These players were also considered by *The News'*:

Player	School	Cl.	Pos.	Comment
Theodore Anderson	Carter	Jr.	DE	11 tackles, one sack vs. Hou. Yates
Mark Cofer	Kimball	Sr.	DB	8 tackles, INT., pass def. vs. FW O.D. Wyatt
Mark Cusano	The Colony	Sr.	LB	13 tackles, 2 fum., rec., INT. vs. Carr. Turner
Dewayne Douglas	Princeton	Sr.	DT	11 tackles, forc. fum., 2 sacks vs. Forney
Sean Ebbersole	Grapevine	Sr.	LB	17 tackles (13 solo) vs. Euless Trinity
Steven Erickson	Richardson	Sr.	DT	11 tackles, 2 sacks, safety vs. Mesquite
Nathan Gray	Howe	Sr.	LB	14 tackles, 3 for loss, vs. Prosper
Corey Green	N. Mesquite	Sr.	LB	7 tackles, sack, forced fum. vs. Ir. MacArthur
Scott Hardman	Wylie	Sr.	LB	15 tackles, sack, TD ret. vs. Royse City
Jammy Harris	Samuell	Sr.	DE	10 tackles, 2 forc. fum., 2 TDs vs. FW E. Hills
Josh Hill	Hillcrest	Sr.	LB	Fumbles forc., rec., safety vs. Bryan Adams
Enoch Jackson	FW O.D. Wyatt	Jr.	DE	9 solo tackles, 6 assists, 3 sacks vs. Kimball
Derek Martin	Plano East	Sr.	DT	3 tackles, sack, fum. rec., INT. vs. Sul. Springs
Justin McDaniels	Forney	Jr.	FS	17 tackles, forced fumble vs. Princeton
Drew Proctor	Aledo	Sr.	DT	13 tackles, 4 sacks vs. Bridgeport
Marcus Swift	Waxahachie	Sr.	DB	4 tackles, pass def., 2 INTs. vs. Ennis
Josh Taft	Plano East	Jr.	LB	12 tackles, 4 sacks, 2 forc. fum. vs. Sul. Springs
Bubba Thompson	Frisco	Sr.	FS	16 tackles (4 for losses) vs. Quinlan-Ford
Johnny Trout	Kemp	Sr.	DB	Two interceptions vs. Mabank
Chris White	Denison	Sr.	DT	4 tack., 2 1/2 sacks, safety vs. Cleburne

ballgame," DeLamar said. "It was a defensive struggle all the way."

Gates was named Mesquite's defensive most valuable player for the game.

"He really shined. He has the capability of being one of the best I've ever had," DeLamar said of Gates. "He does a great job of reading the centers he lines up against and reading their weakness."

And Gates said that is what he loves to do most.

"I like taking centers and driving them back and making them look dumb," he said.

Defensive line coach Robbie Robinson switched Gates from middle linebacker to nose guard last spring practice, and Robinson said Gates had a great spring. But the Mesquite coaching staff had another pleasant surprise when the bulked-up Gates reported for

fall practice.

Gates weighed 215 pounds at middle linebacker last season. However, during the off-season, through long hours of working out in the weight room, Gates steadily gained weight. He is 5-11, 235 pounds and still growing.

But beyond the tackles and forcing the turnovers, Robinson said Gates had perhaps an even more important contribution.

"Even the times he didn't make the play, he penetrated into their backfield," Robinson said. "He was very noticeable (Friday) night. He was very active, to say the least."

And as his performance showed, the conversion from linebacker has been a smooth one.

"It's just a matter of lining up right and knowing what to do," Gates said.

NEWS AREA POLLS

CLASS 5A

Rk.	Team	Rec	Pts	Prv
1.	Plano (7)	2-0-0	157	2
2.	Mesquite	2-0-0	150	4
3.	Grapevine	2-0-0	138	7
4.	Irving Nimitz	2-0-0	130	10
4.	Plano East	2-0-0	130	6
6.	Arl. Lamar (1)	2-0-0	116	9
7.	Euless Houston	2-0-0	106	11
8.	Euless Trinity	1-1-0	102	12
9.	Lewisville	1-1-0	96	5
10.	DeSoto	1-1-0	83	3
11.	Lake Highlands	1-1-0	78	12
12.	North Mesquite	2-0-0	66	14
13.	Carter	0-2-0	58	8
14.	Haltom	2-0-0	57	13
15.	The Colony	2-0-0	53	15
16.	Keller	1-1-0	33	17
17.	Irving	1-1-0	28	15
18.	Richardson	1-1-0	21	18
19.	Arl. Martin	2-0-0	13	NR
20.	Arl. Bowie	1-1-0	11	NR

CLASS 4A

Rk.	Team	Rec	Pts	Prv
1.	Stephenville (7)	2-0-0	159	2
2.	Waxahachie (1)	2-0-0	151	3
3.	Slipper Springs	1-1-0	144	1
4.	Highland Park	2-0-0	131	T6
5.	Hillcrest	2-0-0	126	5
6.	Roosevelt	2-0-0	117	T6
7.	McKinney	1-1-0	110	8
8.	Mesquite Poteet	2-0-0	103	10
9.	Sherman	1-1-0	90	4
10.	Denison	2-0-0	89	13
11.	Lincoln	2-0-0	66	15
12.	Carroll	2-0-0	60	17
13.	Southlake Carroll	1-1-0	49	9
14.	FW Arlington Heights	2-0-0	46	14
15.	FW Brown	2-0-0	41	18
16.	Corsicana	2-0-0	33	20

PRO FOOTBALL: SUNDAY'S WRAP-UP

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W L T		Pct.		PF	PA	Vs. Line	Vs. Div.	Vs. NFC	Home	Road	On Grass	On Turf	In OT	In 1993
	W	L	T	Pct.											
Dallas	2	0	0	1.000	46	26	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-0
NY Giants	2	0	0	1.000	48	40	2-0-0	2-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0
Washington	1	1	0	.500	45	52	1-1-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
Philadelphia	0	1	0	.000	23	28	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0
Arizona	0	2	0	.000	29	34	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
CENTRAL															
Chicago	1	0	0	1.000	21	9	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-0
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	34	38	0-2-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	30	34	1-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	20	19	1-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	33	31	1-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-2-0	
WEST															
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	59	44	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-1-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	
LA Rams	1	1	0	.500	27	43	1-1-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	
San Fran.	1	1	0	.500	61	38	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0		
N.Oreans	0	2	0	.000	41	68	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0		

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST	W L T		Pct.		PF	PA	Vs. Line	Vs. Div.	Vs. AFC	Home	Road	On Grass	On Turf	In OT	In 1993
	W	L	T	Pct.											
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	63	49	1-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
NY Jets	2	0	0	1.000	48	25	1-0-1	1-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-1-0
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	41	58	1-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	2-0-0
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	55	45	1-1-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
N.England	0	2	0	.000	70	77	1-1-0	0-2-0	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-2-0
CENTRAL															
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	38	37	1-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	2-0-0
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	26	36	1-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-2-0
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	30	55	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-2-0
Houston	0	2	0	.000	38	65	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
WEST															
Kan. City	2	0	0	1.000	54	34	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
San Diego	2	0	0	1.000	64	44	2-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
Seattle	2	0	0	1.000	66	16	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-0
Denver	0	2	0	.000	56	62	0-1-1	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	2-0-0
LA Raiders	0	2	0	.000	23	82	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-2-0

RESULTS

at Dallas 20, Houston 17

Att: 64,402 (1,444) Cap: 65,846 Line: Dal. by 14½
Complete coverage, Pages 1, 8-9, 16B.at Kansas City 24, SF 17
Att: 79,907 Cap: 78,067
Line: San Francisco by 3
Story, Page 1B; summary, 16B.Miami 24, *Green Bay 14
Att: 55,011 (N/A) ... Cap: 56,051
Line: Green Bay by 3at Tampa Bay 24, Ind. 10
Att: 36,631 (2,990) Cap: 74,321
Line: Tampa Bay by 2Pittsburgh 17, at Cleve. 10
Att: 77,774 (738) ... Cap: 78,512
Line: Cleveland by 2½at Atlanta 31, LA Rams 13
Att: 55,378 (N/A) ... Cap: 71,594
Line: Atlanta by 8½Buffalo 38, at New Eng. 35
Att: 60,274 (520) ... Cap: 60,290
Line: New England by 2½
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Note: No-shows listed in parentheses after attendance.

*In Milwaukee, Wis. Roundup, summaries, Page 6B.

SCHEDULE

MONDAY'S GAME

Chicago	at Philadelphia	8:00 (Ch. 8)	Philadelphia by 4
			SUNDAY'S GAMES
Arizona	at Cleveland	noon	Cleveland by 3
Buffalo	at Houston	noon	Pick
Green Bay	at Philadelphia	noon	Philadelphia by 2
Indianapolis	at Pittsburgh	noon	Pittsburgh by 7
Minnesota	at Chicago	noon	Chicago by 2
New England	at Cincinnati	noon	New England by 6
New Orleans	at Tampa Bay	noon	Tampa Bay by 4
NY Jets	at Miami	noon	Miami by 5
LA Raiders	at Denver	3:00	Denver by 4
San Diego	at Seattle	3:00	Seattle by 3½
San Francisco	at LA Rams	3:00 (Ch. 33)	San Francisco by 14
Washington			

Bills edge defenseless Patriots, 38-35

By Terry Price
The Hartford Courant

FOXBORO, Mass. — Confusion reigned.

The speaker in Drew Bledsoe's helmet was silent. The New England Patriots' quarterback was on his own.

He thought it was first down. Then he realized it was fourth down. No timeouts.

The clock continued nine... eight... seven...

"It was fourth down, and Drew was trying to stop the clock," offensive tackle Bruce Armstrong said. "We had some people saying, 'You can't clock it (spike the ball and stop the clock). You can't clock it.' It was pretty hairy."

Then it was over. Buffalo 38, New England 35.

Steve Christie's 32-yard field goal with 52 seconds remaining was the difference as the four-time defending AFC champion Bills avoided an 0-2 start. The Patriots lost for the second week in a row.

"What I should have done was call a quick pass play and get the first down and let the guy get out of

BUFFALO 14 14 0 10-38
NEW ENGLAND 7 7 14-35

First Quarter

Buf — Reed 37 pass from Kelly (Christie kick), 2:22.
Buf — Thomas 4 pass from Kelly (Christie kick), 8:02.
NE — Coates 18 pass from Bledsoe (Bahr kick), 14:53.

Second Quarter

Buf — Bi. Brooks 12 pass from Kelly (Christie kick), 2:56.
NE — Coates 5 pass from Bledsoe (Bahr kick), 12:02.
Buf — Beebe 14 pass from Kelly (Christie kick), 13:47.

Third Quarter

NE — Butts 19 run (Bahr kick), 2:27.
Fourth Quarter

Buf — Lodish fumble recovery in end zone (Christie kick), 5:53.

NE — Thompson 21 pass from Bledsoe (Bahr kick), 5:43.

NE — Butts 6 run (Bahr kick), 10:38.

Buf — Christie 32, 14:08.

A — 60,274.

Buf

NE

First downs 25 26

Rushes-yards 38-144 25-96

bounds, said Bledsoe. "Unfortunately, I didn't make that decision. Bad decision on my part."

The Patriots were on the Bills' 39-yard line, scrambling to get in position to try a field goal try. But Bledsoe called a quarterback sneak.

He thought there was time to get the first down, line up and spike the ball to stop the clock and get the field goal team on the field.

He was wrong.

Passing 322 371
First Returns 2-1 2-26
Kickoff Returns 9-74 7-154
Interception Ret. 2-0 2-19
Comp-Att-Int 25-41-3 26-42-2
Sacked-Yards Lost 2-6 2-9
Punts 6-46 5-34
Fumbles-Lost 4-1 4-3
Penalties-Yards 7-39 4-36
Time of Possession 30:06 29:54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing — Buffalo: Thomas 26-106, Davis 6-21, Kelly 4-11, Reed 1-5, Gardner 1-1. New England: Butts 18-82, Turner 4-11, Bledsoe 2-2, Thompson 1-1.

Passing — Buffalo: Kelly 25-41-3-328. New England: Bledsoe 26-42-2-380.

Scoring — Buffalo: Reed 7-142, Bi. Brooks 7-19, Marrow 4-30, Thomas 4-22, Beebe 3-43. New England: Coates 9-124, Timson 5-101, Turner 4-44, Brisby 3-42, Crittenden 2-41, Thompson 2-13, Butts 1-5.

Missed field goals — none.

Sacks recorded — Buffalo: Bennett, B. Smith 1/2, M. Washington 1/2, New England: McGinest 1/2, Slade 1/2.

Interceptions — Buffalo: Patton, S. Smith. New England: V. Brown, Guyton, Hurst.

T — 3:10.

Bledsoe wasn't blamed by anyone, except himself. Bledsoe, with another record-setting performance, had given the Patriots a chance to beat the Bills.

But there were too many other plays that hurt. Just as Miami's Dan Marino had done a week earlier, Bills quarterback Jim Kelly dissected the Patriots' secondary. Bledsoe passed for 380 yards and three touchdowns. He has seven

touchdown passes in two games. Bledsoe became the first Patriots quarterback to pass for more than 300 yards in three consecutive games.

But Kelly completed 25 of 41 passes for 328 yards and four touchdowns. The Patriots have allowed nine touchdown passes in their first two games.

Bledsoe has passed for 801 yards the first two games, which is the total Marino and Kelly amassed against the Patriots.

In the final two quarters of the Miami game and the first two quarters against the Bills, the Patriots allowed the opposition to complete 30 of 44 passes for 538 yards and eight touchdowns.

The Patriots have also turned the ball over eight times — four fumbles and four interceptions — in two games. They lost three fumbles against the Bills, including one by Bledsoe in the fourth quarter that was recovered by Bills defensive tackle Mike Lodish for a touchdown.

"You can't win doing that," Patriots coach Bill Parcells said.

Giants keep Ryan winless in Arizona

By Mike Freeman

New York Times News Service

TEMPE, Ariz. — He took all the hits, again and again.

As the Arizona Cardinals sent everyone except the dancers after New York Giants quarterback Dave Brown, he stood tough. He took the hits to the head. To the chest. To the ribs. And time and time again he got back up.

All the talk about Buddy Ryan and his blitz crew was well-founded. The Cardinals sent everything they could after Brown and the Giants, but the team didn't break. Thanks to the poise of Brown, a Giants defense that sent quarterback Steve Beuerlein to the bench in favor of Jim McMahon and unbelievable sloppiness by the Cardinals, the Giants escaped Sun Devil Stadium with a 20-17 victory.

About the only scare the Giants (2-0) had was when Rodney Hampton left the game early in the third quarter with a strained back. He didn't return, but Hampton is believed to be all right.

As the Giants have often done since Dan Reeves became coach, they made few mental errors and took advantage of a number of blunders by the Cardinals (0-2). The big mistake was two pass-interference penalties late in the second half that led to a Giants touchdown. But there were a number of reasons the Giants won this tough, scuffle-filled game full of hard hits.

Defensive linemen Michael Strahan and Keith Hamilton got lots of pressure on the quarterbacks all evening long. Cornerback Phillip Sparks got two interceptions. And Chris Calloway and Mike Sherrard took advantage of all the blitzing by making big plays.

And, as a team, the Giants kept their poise. They had a 20-10 lead going into the fourth quarter, but a blocked Mike Horan punt by Aeneas Williams led to a Ron Moore touchdown pass from McMahon to make it 20-17. It looked worse for the Giants when Brown, on a flea-flicker

NY GIANTS 6 14 0 0-20
ARIZONA 3 7 0 7-17

First Quarter

NY — Cross 1 pass from Da. Brown (kick failed), 1:05.
Ari — FG G. Davis, 13:12.

Second Quarter

Ari — McAfee 2 run (G. Davis kick), 0:03.
NY — Hampton 3 run (Treadwell kick), 6:07.
NY — Cross 1 pass from Da. Brown (Treadwell kick), 14:45.

Fourth Quarter

Ari — Moore 2 pass from McMahon (Davis kick), 4:08.
Ari — 60,066.

NY

Ari

First downs 19 11
Rushes-yards 41-118 16-39

Passing 88 135
Punt Returns 3-18 0-00

Interceptions Ret. 2-4 1-23

Comp-Att-Int 11-17-1 14-27-2

Sacked-Yards Lost 4-31 3-23

Punts 6-25 5-46

Fumbles-Lost 1-2 1-2

Penalties-Yards 8-60 10-150

Time of Possession 35:15 24:45

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing — New York: Meggett 15-44, Hampton 17-39, Da. Brown 6-31, Elias 2-4, Rasheed 1-0. Arizona: Moore 10-25, Centers 2-18, McMahon 2-1, McAfee 2- (-5).

Passing — New York: Da. Brown 11-17-1, Arizona: Beuerlein 10-22-1-108, McMahon 4-5-15.

Receiving — New York: Rasheed 3-47, Caloway 2-26, Meggett 2-17, Cross 2-2, Sherrard 1-21, Pierce 1-6, Arizona: R. Hill 5-62, Moore 3-16, Calloway 2-23, Ware 1-33, Reeves 1-15, P. Jones 1-5, McAfee 1-4.

Missed field goals — none.

Sacks recorded — New York: Hamilton 2, Brooks, Arizona: Bankston 3, Joyner.

Interceptions — New York: Sparks 2, Arizona: Lynch, T. 3:00.

from Dave Meggett, was picked off by safety Lorenzo Lynch trying to go deep for Sherrard.

But again, poise came into play. McMahon, who has all the mobility of a living-room sofa, was sacked twice on the ensuing series by Michael Brooks and Hamilton.

With the heat subsiding and lightning filling the sky, the Cardinals punted with less than five minutes to go and the Giants simply ran out the clock. A Brown scramble on third-and-four for 13 yards with about two minutes left sealed the victory.

The two story lines of the game were the blitzing from Buddy Ryan's defense and the heat.

Many Giants had been doing nothing but guzzling water since they left New Jersey on Friday. The team has also consumed large quantities of bananas for the potassium. One player said he had been drinking a quart of water about once an hour since the team left.

So, what's all the hoopla with the heat? The Giants have never played Arizona at Sun Devil Stadium this early and hot in the season. So the Giants took tangible steps to try to keep their players fresh. One was activating defensive lineman Chad Bratzke, who was inactive last week. The plan was to keep fresh bodies in the game.

Vikings' six sacks bury Lions, 10-3

By Curt Sylvester

Detroit Free Press

MINNEAPOLIS — They waited and waited, but Mitchell time never arrived for the Detroit Lions.

Not this time. No fourth-down heroics. No late-game miracles. No magical comebacks.

Minnesota shut down Barry Sanders and then beat a path through the Detroit offensive line to thwart quarterback Scott Mitchell's every effort in a 10-3 win Sunday before 57,349 at the Metrodome.

"We ran up against an awful good Minnesota Vikings football team today," coach Wayne Fontes said. "They played very well. We couldn't block them up front, we had to resort to a passing game and our quarterback was running for his life."

"We never got the running game established. You know, with a great running back like Barry Sanders, and we could never get him started."

To make matters worse, Lions receiver Anthony Carter was injured when he was tackled after an 18-yard catch against his former teammates.

"I believe he fractured a collarbone," Fontes said. "He'll be out six to eight weeks. When it rains, it pours."

The Vikings (1-1) held Sanders to 16 yards in 12 carries — his third-lowest production in six years — and pummeled Mitchell on nearly every play. They sacked him six times for 37 yards in losses, forced three fumbles, and held him to 18-of-40 passing for 212 yards and one interception.

The Lions (1-1) still might have won except for a couple of glaring miscues: a dropped pass by Herman Moore that looked like a sure touchdown early in the third quarter, and two missed field goals — from 42 and 46 yards — by usually automatic Jason Hanson.

"I just didn't look it clearly all the way in," Moore said. "Just trying to do too much before I had it."

Hanson did not practice most of

DETROIT 0 0 0 3-3
MINNESOTA 3 0 0 0-10

First Quarter

Min — FG Reveiz 36, 13:12.
Second Quarter

Min — Ismail 30 pass from Moon (Reveiz kick), 5:08.

Fourth Quarter

Dot — FG Hanson 24, 6:44.

A — 57,349.

Dot

Min

First downs 13 14
Rushes-yards 15-37 30-86

Passing 175 203

Punt Returns 5-66 6-23

Kickoff Returns 3-77 2-51

Interceptions Ret. 1-0 1-0

Comp-Att-Int 18-41-1 22-35-1

Sacked-Yards Lost 6-37 2-18

P

Stars tie Flames in pre-season opener, 5-5

By Terry Egan
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

Reunion Arena was no place to be Sunday if you like your hockey flashy and artistic.

But in the pre-season, when players are interested only in earning jobs, it's the end, not the means.

The Stars and Calgary Flames tied, 5-5, before 14,211 at Reunion (capacity 16,914) Sunday. The game was marred by a barrel full of third-period brawls that resulted in a lot of punches thrown and six (four for Dallas) players being ejected.

Still, some players were able to shine in the Stars' pre-season opener.

Russ Courtnall, who set a franchise record for right wings last season with 57 assists (also a career high), scored a pair of goals and assisted on another.

Craig Ludwig scored a goal, matching his total from last season, and blocked three shots, two from in front of the crease while the Stars were skating at a 5-on-3 disadvantage.

Peter Zezel did what he does well. He won faceoffs and passed nicely. And he scored a goal by hanging around in front of the Calgary net and swiping a backhand into the net. Dave Gagner had a goal while taking five shots.

And Mark Lawrence, a big right wing looking to earn a spot in Dallas, made a nice play to split the Calgary defense and jump on a rebound for the goal that gave the

SUNDAY'S SUMMARY

CALGARY	1	3	0-5
DALLAS	0	3	2-5
FIRST PERIOD — 1, Calgary, Fleury 1 1:49. Penalties — Lalor, Dallas (high sticking) 7:33; Greig, Calgary (hooking) 13:24; Gagner, Dallas, double minor (roughing, unsportsmanlike conduct) 17:55; Hatcher, Dallas (cross checking) 19:09.			
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THIRD PERIOD	6, Dallas, Zezel 1 (Lalor, Courtnall) pp 5:49; 7, Calgary, Nylander 1 (Vittakoski, Musil) 7:45; 8, Calgary, Stillman 1 (Housley, Fleury) pp 9:01; 9, Calgary, Stillman 2 (Eisenhut, Vittakoski) pp 15:03; 10, Dallas, Lawrence 1 (Kennedy, Matvichuk) 18:35. Penalties — McCarthy, Calgary (fighting) A — 14,211.		

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OVERTIME — None. **Penalties** — None. **SHOTS ON GOAL** — Calgary 7-14-15-7-43; Dallas 7-11-12-3-33.

POWER PLAYS — Calgary 2-8; Dallas 2-7.

GOALS — Calgary: Kidd, 5:28, 25 saves-4 goals; Muzzatti, 13:32, 3-1. Dallas: Wakaluk, 30:46, 11-1; Torchia, 34:14, 27-4.

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PRE-SEASON RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER		
11	Calgary	5 at Dallas
Tue. 13	Anaheim	7:35
Thu. 15	St. Louis	7:35
at the Myriad Arena, Oklahoma City		
Mon. 19	Vancouver	9:35
Tue. 20	Edmonton	9:35
at Kennewick, Wash.		
Wed. 21	at Calgary	8:35
Fri. 23	at Anaheim	9:05
Sun. 25	Edmonton	7:05
Tue. 27	Los Angeles	7:35
at the Alamodome, San Antonio		

The Stars led Sunday, 3-2, before it turned into a back-alley brawl in the third period. Alan May fought 6-3, 224-pound Sandy McCarthy twice, each time to a draw. Shane Chirula pounded Steve Chiasson after a check that Chirula took exception to.

"It was high," Chirula said. "And, hey, it's only pre-season, but I can't let him get away with that."

Derian Hatcher was ejected for jumping into a fight to help Chirula. And Doug Zmolek, after cutting his brow when he was hit into the glass by Dale Kushner, went after Kushner in a fight by the players' benches. Zmolek received four stitches.

Goalie Darcy Wakaluk was not tested hard, but he played well. His relief, Mike Torchia, was tested. He faced 27 shots and was spotty. He looked solid while stopping a Neil Eisenhut breakaway in the third period and making a glove save on Cory Stillman in overtime.

U.S. OPEN UPDATE

By Darryl Richards / Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

All alone

Michael Stich certainly was a lonely man on the court during his loss to Andre Agassi on Sunday. He argued with chair umpire David Littlefield about line calls, and during a changeover in the second set, told him to keep his eyes open and his mouth shut.

In the seventh game, Stich asked Littlefield after a line call: "Are you American?" For the record, Littlefield lives in Palm Springs, Fla.

Except for an occasional prolonged smattering of applause for Stich from his player's box, the crowd was clearly pro-Agassi.

Sanchez Vicario in winner's circle

Arantxa Sanchez Vicario won her second title at the U.S. Open on Sunday when she teamed up with doubles-partner Jana Novotna to beat the women's doubles team of Katerina Maleeva and Robin White, 6-3, 6-3. Sanchez Vicario earned \$650,000 for her singles and doubles victories, splitting \$200,000 with Novotna.

FLASH BACK

Sept. 12, 1987: Martina Navratilova wins her fourth U.S. Open singles title, defeating Steffi Graf, 7-6, 6-1.

1992: Stefan Edberg and Michael Chang play what is believed to be the longest match in the history of the U.S. Open. Edberg wins, 6-7, 7-5, 7-6, 5-7, 6-4, in five hours, 26 minutes.

Men's champions

1987 — Ellen Hansell	1919 — William M. Johnston	1957 — Malcolm J. Anderson
1981 — Richard D. Sears	1920 — William T. Tilden	1958 — Ashley J. Cooper
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1984 — Richard D. Sears	1923 — William T. Tilden	1961 — Roy Emerson
1985 — Richard D. Sears	1924 — William T. Tilden	1962 — Rodney Laver
1986 — Richard D. Sears	1925 — William T. Tilden	1963 — Rafael Osuna
1987 — Richard D. Sears	1926 — Rene Lacoste	1964 — Roy Emerson
6-1-1, H.W. Slocum	1927 — Rene Lacoste	1965 — Manual Santana
1988 — H.W. Slocum	1928 — Rene Lacoste	1966 — Fred Stolle
1989 — Oliver S. Campbell	1929 — William T. Tilden	1967 — John Newcombe
1990 — Oliver S. Campbell	1930 — John H. Doeg	1968 — Arthur Ashe
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1993 — Robert D. Wrenn	1933 — Frederick J. Perry	1971 — Stan Smith
1994 — Robert D. Wrenn	1934 — Frederick J. Perry	1972 — Billie Jean King
1995 — Robert D. Wrenn	1935 — Wilmer L. Allison	1973 — John Newcombe
1996 — Malcolm D. Whitman	1936 — Frederick J. Perry	1974 — Jimmy Connors
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1999 — William A. Larned	1940 — Donald McNeill	1977 — Guillermo Vilas
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2001 — H. Laurie Doherty	1942 — Frederick R. Schroeder, Jr.	1979 — John McEnroe
2002 — Holcombe Ward	1943 — Lt. Joseph R. Hunt	1980 — John McEnroe
2003 — Beal C. Wright	1944 — Sgt. Frank Parker	1981 — John McEnroe
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2008 — Maurice E. McLoughlin	1949 — Arthur Larsen	1986 — Ivan Lendl
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2010 — Richard N. Williams	1952 — Frank Sedgman	1988 — Mats Wilander
2011 — Richard N. Williams	1953 — Tony Trabert	1989 — Boris Becker
2012 — R.L. Murray	1954 — E. Victor Seixas Jr.	1990 — Pete Sampras
2013 — R.L. Murray	1955 — Tony Trabert	1991 — Stefan Edberg
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2016 — R.L. Murray		1994 — Andre Agassi

Prior to 1968 the USTA championship was an amateur event. There were two tournaments held in 1968 and 1969, one for amateurs and the other permitted professionals.

Sunday's results

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP		
Andre Agassi	d. 4. Michael Stich	6-1, 7-6 (7-5), 7-5
WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP		
2. Jana Novotna-Arantxa Sanchez	d. Katerina Maleeva-Robin White	6-3, 6-3
BOYS' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP		
4. Sjeng Schalken	d. 9. Mehdi Tahiri	6-2, 7-6 (7-4)
GIRLS' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP		
4. Mellie Tu	d. 1. Martina Hingis	6-2, 6-4
WOMEN'S MASTERS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP		
Betsy Nagel/JoAnne Russell-Longdon	d. Kathy May-Pam Teeguarden	6-3, 6-2

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the third unseeded player to win the U.S. Open, joining Mal Anderson (1956) and Fred Stolle (1966).

Agassi got the crowd of 21,063 in the match quickly by winning the first seven points and didn't let up. When he hit a reflex volley past Stich in the first set, Agassi turned to the crowd with his hands up like he was saying he could do nothing wrong. When Agassi scooped a half-volley that Stich couldn't reach on match point, he celebrated with style.

Agassi fell to his knees and said "I don't believe it." After Stich helped him up, Agassi ran over to hug his supporters, especially girlfriend Brooke Shields.

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Woodson, Harper head Houston off at the pass

By Ed Werder

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IRVING — Alvin Harper and Darren Woodson pulled the Cowboys from bleak predicament with bold performance.

Their impact was more profound than Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin, or Kevin Smith and Charles Haley, as the nervy Super Bowl champion Cowboys narrowly prevailed, 20-17, over the Houston Oilers at Texas Stadium on Sunday.

When Houston's Buck Richardson had his chance for a touchdown pass, he threw an interception to Woodson. When Troy Aikman had his chance for a touchdown pass, he threw it deep to Harper.

Woodson, the Cowboys' strong safety, prevented a touchdown with the Cowboys' first turnover of the season to protect a

three-point advantage with six minutes left in the third quarter. Six plays later, Harper went deep on cornerback Darryl Lewis to provide the Cowboys a 53-yard touchdown play for a more comfortable 20-10 lead.

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B
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Running backs

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C
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Receivers

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■ **BEST CATCH:** Safety Darren Woodson's first career interception, coming off Bucky Richardson after Houston reached the Dallas 19, denied the Oilers a chance for a tying field goal in the third quarter. The turnover was the first this season for the Cowboys.

■ **BEST CALL:** Coach Barry Switzer called for a punt from John Jett from the Houston 32 rather than have rookie Chris Boniol attempt a long field goal. Bill Bates downed the punt at the Houston five-yard line. The Cowboys' defense held and Boniol later made a 29-yard field goal.

■ **BEST HIT:** In the fourth quarter, Brock Marion delivered a high shot from the front to Houston runner Gary Brown while defensive tackle Leon Lett hit him low and from behind.

WORST

■ **WORST PLAY:** Houston running back Gary Brown mishandled a center screen from Bucky Richardson, with Cowboys defensive end Charles Haley making the interception in the third period.

■ **WORST THROW:** Ernest Givins and line judge Bama Glass took turns throwing penalty flags in the first period. In response to Glass' incorrect call, an upset Givins picked up the flag and tossed it. Givins was punished with a 15-yard unsportsmanlike conduct penalty. A conference of officials decided Givins had not made an illegal block and the penalty was waved off.

■ **WORST RUN:** Houston's Kenny Davidson and Michael Barrow sandwiched Emmitt Smith for a one-yard loss on the Cowboys' opening possession of the second half.

■ **WORST CATCH:** Troy Aikman suffered an interception when Michael Irvin missed an underthrown deep pass and deflected the ball to cornerbacks Cris Dishman, who made the catch on his back. Houston converted the turnover into a touchdown.

■ **WORST CALL:** The Oilers missed Buddy Ryan in the second period. There was no one to slug offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride when he brain-locked by calling for a third-down pass that fell incomplete and stopped the clock with 43 seconds left for the Cowboys. The Cowboys took advantage and a 13-10 halftime lead with Chris Boniol's last-play, 29-yard field goal.

■ **WORST HIT:** Some how there was no penalty called, but Charles Haley clearly cheap-shotted Bucky Richardson when the defensive linemen decked the passer after the whistle.

Escaping on

Woodson, Harper head

By Ed Werder

Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

IRVING — Alvin Harper and Darren Woodson pulled the Cowboys from bleak predicament with bold performance.

Their impact was more profound than Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin, or Kevin Smith and Charles Haley, as the nervy Super Bowl champion Cowboys narrowly prevailed, 20-17, over the Houston Oilers at Texas Stadium on Sunday.

When Houston's Bucky Richardson had his chance for a touchdown pass, he threw an interception to Woodson. When Troy Aikman had his chance for a touchdown pass, he threw it deep to Harper.

Woodson, the Cowboys' strong safety, prevented a touchdown with the Cowboys' first turnover of the season to protect a

three-point advantage with six minutes left in the third quarter. Six plays later, Harper went deep on cornerback Darryl Lewis to provide the Cowboys a 53-yard touchdown play for a more comfortable 20-10 lead.

Harper took a black marker and scribbled on his gloves, "They can't stop me." He was right.

The Oilers controlled Smith, contained Irvin and lost to a resourceful and talented Cowboys team anyway. "You stop Smith, and we go to Michael," offensive lineman Nate Newton said. "You stop Michael, and we go to Alvin."

For a time, it appeared the Cowboys were going to fall behind the Oilers in the third period. Richardson found Haywood Jeffires for 50 yards after the wide receiver split cornerback Larry Brown and safety

TURNING POINT

Brock Marion, with the responsibility on him, Brown went for 18 yards with a three-point lead.

But on third-and-11, in his first NFL start under pressure from his son, he made a leaping interception in the regular season.

"I think it was a situation to make a play for our team," he said. "Larry Brown was open. I don't think he happened to read the

Cowboys offense sick over effort

Flu bug, Oilers defense keep Aikman, Smith, Irvin in check

By Ed Werder

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pressure from Houston blitzes that included linebackers and safeties.

While the Cowboys claimed their 10th consecutive regular-season victory, Aikman completed 14 of 25 passes to mark the first time in that stretch he failed to complete at least 65 percent of his throws. The second period was the worst for Aikman. At one point, he completed one of eight passes and threw a pass that deflected off Irvin for a Cris Dishman interception the Oilers converted into a touchdown.

"We knew going in they would come after us," Aikman said. "We had some opportunities to make some plays and get the game out of reach, and we weren't able to do it."

Remarkably, the Oilers controlled Aikman and kept Smith within reach. Houston defensive coordinator Jeff Fisher changed his defensive fronts, alternated his coverages and played an eight-man front with blitzes into Smith's running lanes.

Smith carries 27 times for 90 yards and scored the Cowboys' first touchdown. But there was a span in which he carried 10 times for 12 yards. Five times the Oilers tackled him at the line of scrimmage or for a loss.

But the Cowboys prevailed because Smith lowered his shoulder into a blitzing linebacker and allowed Aikman the chance to complete a 53-yard touchdown pass to Alvin Harper in the third quarter for a 20-10 lead.

"Troy would come to the sideline screaming, and we'd have to calm him down," offensive lineman Nate Newton said. "Then Emmitt would come to the sideline, and we'd have to calm him down. Michael came over and screamed, and we had to calm him down. But we still won because of our talent."

Receiver Michael Irvin is on his three receptions for 35 yards.

Haley's pressure helps sack

By Tim Cowlishaw

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passer like this for 16 games," said cornerback Kevin Smith, "we're going to have some easier days ahead."

The Cowboys have 13 sacks after two games. That puts them on a pace for 104. They will settle for half that after falling from 45 sacks in 1992 to 34 last year. Chad Hennings got his second in two games Sunday and is proving to be the force in a reserve role that the club sorely needed all

beauty.

"It was just a case of being in the right place at the right time," Haley said. "I was trying to find a place to lay down."

The rest of the day, he was looking for a place to put Bucky Richardson down. Haley's 1 1/2 sacks raised his season total to 5 1/2, and his steady pressure on the untested Oilers' quarterback was as big a factor as anything in the Cowboys' victory.

"If Charles is going to rush the

Parade of yellow flags forces Houston

By Gerry Fraley

Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

overlook Givins' tantrum, slapping him with a dead-ball personal foul. Instead of second-and-six at the Cowboys' 10-yard line, the Oilers had second-and-21 at the 25. The promising possession ended with a field goal.

Why throw the flag, Ernest?

"You guys think it was a big joke," Givins said. "I thought it was a (expletive) call. It was the kind of call you always get if you're with the Houston Oilers."

But the officials ruled no penalty. "It was the heat of battle," Givins said. "You do things you regret."

Givins' blunder was one of four

key penalties that worked against the Oilers. On both Cowboys touch-down drives, the Oilers' line had a third-down offside penalty. A personal foul allowed the Cowboys to milk extra time from the clock in their final possession.

The performance fit a team that finished second in the NFL to the Los Angeles Raiders in penalties and yardage last season.

The litany of mistakes:

■ On the Cowboys' first possession, Houston end Lamar Lathon sacked quarterback Troy Aikman for a five-yard loss to force a punt. The

Oiler errors

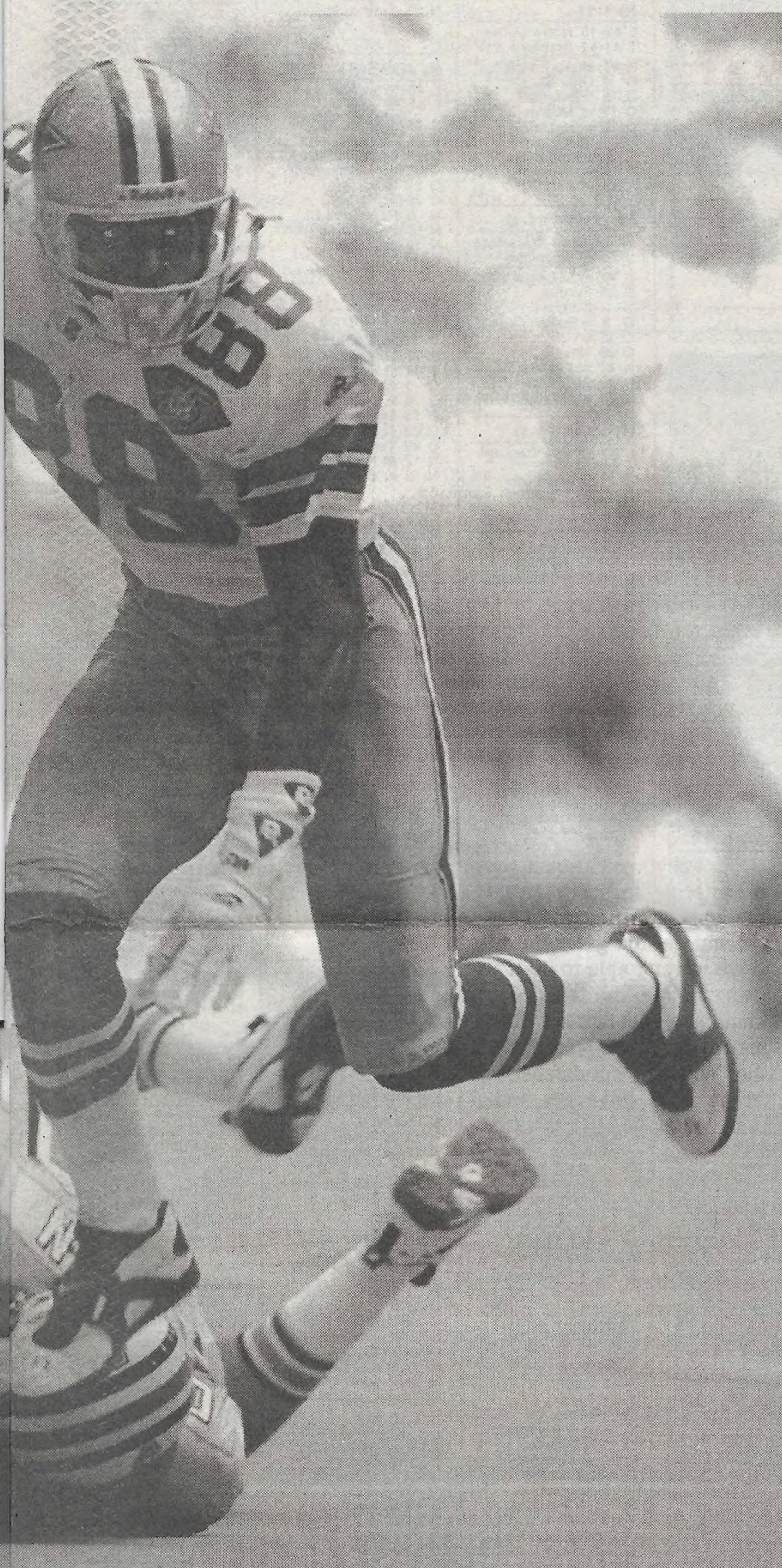
Houston off at the pass

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The Cowboys patiently waited for the right opportunity and took advantage. Houston defensive tackle Ray Childress assisted with an off-side penalty that prolonged the possession for the Cowboys after Jay Novacek dropped a third-down pass.



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run from Oilers cornerback Cris Dishman after making one of the afternoon.

Oilers upset hopes

ter losing Jimmie Jones and Tony Casillas to free agency.

"Our focus today was to contain Bucky (Richardson)," Hennings said. "We did that at times, but it's frustrating when you get back, get pressure and he slips out."

Richardson managed to run for 37 yards and pass for 242. But the one pass that he would like to have back landed in the hands of Dallas safety Darren Woodson.

"We needed a turnover to excite the crowd, excite the offense," said Woodson. "I just happened to read the play. I don't think he saw me."

on to wave white one

sack was erased because end Keith McCants lined up in the neutral zone. On third-and-two, the Cowboys got the first down and finished the possession with a touchdown.

"I told Keith not to worry about that, that I'd just have to go in and get another sack," Lathon said. "I didn't."

In the third quarter, Aikman threw an incompletion on third-and-two from the Cowboys' 42. They got a first down because Aikman's confidence brought tackle Ray Childress across the line early. On the next snap, Aikman threw a 53-yard touch-

ball to Jeffires and they go up on us, I think we're in trouble."

The turnover produced at least a 10-point shift after Aikman and Harper combined for their second long-gainer. Harper went inside on Lewis in the second period on a post pattern for 45 yards.

This time Harper more than made the play that made a dramatic difference. He also called it. Harper considered Lewis susceptible to a pump-and-go and implored offensive coordinator Ernie Zampese to call on him.

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On the next play, Aikman hoped for single coverage outside, and the Oilers consented with another blitz. Smith swept to his left and picked up a linebacker outside, while center Mark Stepnoski blocked middle linebacker Al Smith, who was on an inside rush.

Aikman pumped to Harper, who faked outside and then sprinted up the sideline. Lewis could not recover.

"I told the coaches we could hit that one," Harper said. "They were playing so hard on the inside that I thought we could beat them."

He did, and so did the Cowboys defeat the Oilers.

Three points and two plays seemed the difference.

Richardson can't buck long odds

By Gerry Fraley

Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

IRVING — On the last play Sunday, Bucky Richardson's sense of bravado overwhelmed him again. A mere 64 yards from the end zone with 14 seconds remaining, Richardson ran.

He made it four yards before being tripped by Cowboys defensive

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end Charles Haley. The final act in the Cowboys' 20-17 victory against Houston at Texas Stadium typified Richardson's first career start at quarterback for the Oilers.

Starting in place of the injured Cody Carlson, Richardson showed grit, an unbreakable body and a stronger-than-advertised arm. Richardson also let his heart overrule his head at the wrong time. What worked in college is not always advisable in the NFL.

"Coming close in this league doesn't count," said Richardson, in his third season from Texas A&M. "I've always evaluated my performance on win-loss. We lost, so obviously I'm very disappointed."

"There are some passes I wish I had back. There were some passes I should have hit that I didn't."

Richardson, who threw 405 passes in his A&M career, completed 20 of 42 passes for 242 yards. He completed only nine of his last 27 passes for 139 yards. Richardson left many of those passes high, the result of emotion, he said.

"I wasn't really nervous," Richardson said. "I was jacked up, excited. I had the butterflies, but that's not nervous to me. Nervous is when you're shaking. I wasn't nervous."

Richardson had two interceptions in that span. The first was a case of trying to do too much in the face of danger.

Trailing, 13-10, in the third quarter, the Oilers had a third-and-nine at the Cowboys' 19. The play called for Richardson to throw a quick slant to Haywood Jeffires.

Richardson double-pumped, and the pass rush got to him. With Jim Jeffcoat knocking him backward, Richardson tried to get the pass to Jeffires rather than throw the ball away. Darren Woodson intercepted the badly underthrown ball.

"I was kind of leaning back when I threw it, and the safety made a great play," said Richardson, who sighed before explaining the play. "I wasn't able to get enough on the ball to get it in there. That was a big turning point in the game. I'll think about that one to fight for a long time."

Oilers coach Jack Pardee said Richardson started to give the offense more mobility against the Cowboys' pass rush. Pardee praised Richardson for handling a game of punishment and creating opportunities with his scrambling. Pardee also said Carlson will start next Sunday against Buffalo if his shoulder is sound.

Richardson accepted that. "Cody is our guy going in, and he's still our guy," Richardson said. "It was my job as a backup to step in and try to win. We didn't get it done, but I think it was valuable experience for me."

He learned in the NFL that the body cannot always do what the mind envisions.

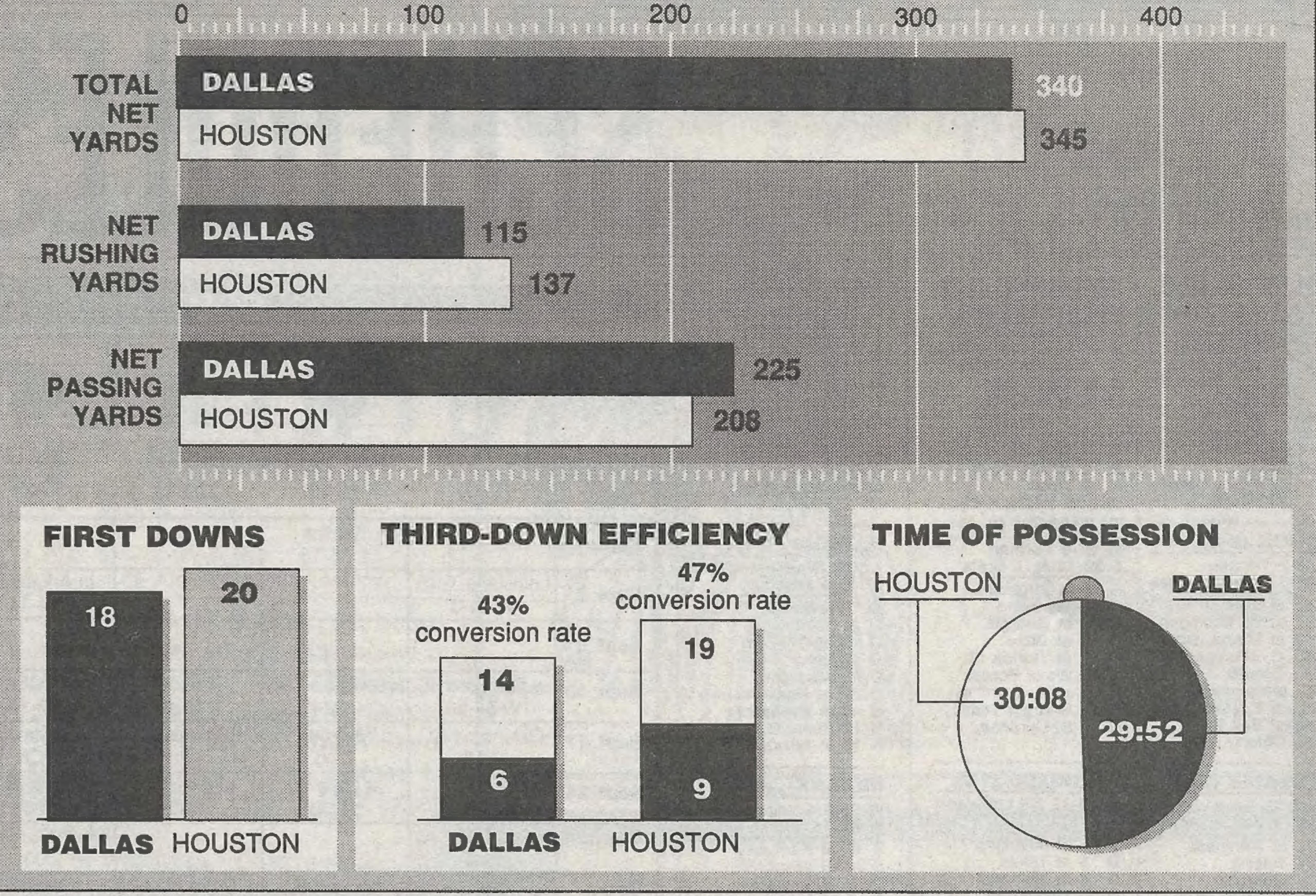
down pass to Alvin Harper.

With less than three minutes to play, Aikman had an incompletion on second down. Linebacker Eddie Robinson was called for a late hit with the hands to Aikman's head, giving the Cowboys a first down. They held the ball until 22 seconds remained.

"I was trying to pull back," Robinson said. "They were hitting (Oilers quarterback) Bucky Richardson late all game, and nobody called anything. But you can't argue. That just happens."

To the Oilers.

STAT GLANCE



OILERS-COWBOYS STATISTICS

	HOU	DALLAS	HOU	DALLAS
Total First Downs	20	18	Punts-Avg.	6-43.3
Rushing	8	5	Had blocked	0
Passing	11	10	Total Return Yards	56
Penalty	1	3	Punt return no-yards	3-18
3rd Down Made-Att.	9-19	6-14	Int. return no-yards	4-81
3rd Down Efficiency	47.4	42.9	x-Kickoff return no-yards	1-38
4th Down Made-Att.	2-2	0-0	x-not included in total return yardage	2-4
Total Net Yards	345	340	Penalties-Yards	8-78
Total offensive plays	74	62	Fumbles-No. Lost	2-0
Avg. gain per play	4.7	5.5	Touchdowns	2
Net Yards Rushing	137	115	Rushing	1
Total rushing plays	28	34	Passing	0
Avg. gain per rush	4.9	3.4	Return	0
Net Yards Passing	208	225	PAT Made-Att.	2-2
Sacks-yards lost	4-34	2-3	Two-Point Conv. Made-Att.	0-0
Gross yards passing	242	228	Field Goals Made-Att.	1-1
Att.-Comp.-Had Int.	42-20-2	25-14-1	Time Of Possession	30:08
Avg. gain per pass	4.5	8.0		29:52

HOUSTON DALLAS

RUSHING

Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Lng	TD	Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Lng	TD
Gary Brown	20	93	4.7	18	1	Emmitt Smith	27	90	3.3	12	1
Bucky Richardson	7	37	5.3	18	0	Daryl Johnston	4	17	4.3	6	0
Lorenzo White	1	7	7.0	7	0	Troy Aikman	3	8	2.7	7	0
Totals	28	137	4.9	18	2	Totals	34	115	3.4	12	1

PASSING

Player	Att Cmp	Yds	Sks	TD	Lng	Int	Player	Att Cmp	Yds	Sks	TD	Lng	Int
Bucky Richardson	42	20	242	0	50	2	Troy Aikman	25	14	228	3	1	53
Totals	42	20	242	4	0	50	Totals	25	14	228	3	1	53

RECEIVING

Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Lng	TD	Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Lng	TD
Haywood Jeffires	6	103	16.8	50	0	Jay Novacek	4	45	16	0	0
Pat Coleman	6	58	16	0	0	Alvin Harper	3	109	53	1	0
Ernest Givins	4	57	16	0	0	Michael Irvin	3	35	21	0	0
Gary Brown	4	24	10	0	0	Emmitt Smith	3	24	22	0	0
Totals	20	242	50	0	0	Daryl Johnston	1	15	15	0	0
						Totals	14	228	53	1	0

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Lng	TD	Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Lng	TD
Cris Dishman	1	38	38.0	38	0	Darren Woodson	1	3	3.0	3	0
Totals	1	38	38.0	38	0	Charles Haley	1	1	1.0	1	0

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

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 O 22 Fresno St.
 O 29 at Wyoming
 N 11 at Army
 N 12 at Penn
 N 18 at Notre Dame
 D 5 at Hawaii

AKRON (0-2)
 L 32-7 Temple
 W 45-0 Bowling Green
 S 17 at Kent
 O 8 at Michigan
 O 15 C. Michigan
 O 22 Toledo
 O 29 at Youngstown St.
 N 5 at E. Michigan
 N 12 at Ball St.
 N 19 Ohio U.

ALABAMA (2-0)
 W 42-13 Tenn.-Chatt.
 W 17-7 Vanderbilt
 S 17 at Arkansas
 S 24 Tulane
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 N 12 at Mississippi St.
 N 19 Auburn

ARIZONA (2-0)
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ARIZ. ST. (1-1)
 W 22-16 Oregon St.
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Florida back atop AP poll

By Ken Stephens
Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

After Florida's 73-7 victory over Kentucky on Saturday, the jokesters in the press box wondered how far the Gators would fall in the polls this time.

A week ago, Florida beat New Mexico State, 70-21, in the season

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opener. Nebraska, which hadn't played since beating West Virginia, 31-0, a week earlier, overtook the Gators for No. 1 in the Associated Press and USA Today-CNN coaches' polls.

However, this week's Florida rout swayed 12 more media voters to vote the Gators No. 1, and for the second week in a row, the top team in the AP poll fell to No. 2 without losing. In all, Florida was chosen No. 1 by 27 of the 62 voters. Meanwhile, Nebraska, which easily defeated Texas Tech, 42-16, on Thursday, had 22 first-place votes, one fewer than a week ago.

In the coaches' poll, however, the Cornhuskers remained No. 1 and gained 14 first-place votes while Florida lost five.

With Michigan's 26-24 upset of Notre Dame, there was more shuffling in the top eight places of the AP poll.

While the fighting Irish dropped from No. 3 to No. 8, Florida State moved up from No. 4 to 3 and Michigan jumped from No. 6 to No. 4.

Miami remained fifth after beat-

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In two games, Florida has matched or surpassed the season point totals of five Division I-A teams from 1993:

Team	Gms.	Pts.
'94 Florida	2	143
'93 Louisiana Tech	11	143
'93 Vanderbilt	11	137
'93 Ohio U.	11	134
'93 Arkansas State	11	122
'93 Temple	11	115

ing Arizona State, 47-10, while Penn State, which pounded Southern Cal, 38-14, moved up from No. 8 to No. 6. Colorado, which was idle, remained seventh.

Last week, Florida coach Steve Spurrier offered the opinion that some poll voters may have penalized Florida because they believed he had run up the score on New Mexico State.

But if any lesson can be drawn from this week's poll it's that coaches, whose jobs are on the line in humiliating defeats, are more sensitive than the media about blowouts.

"We're not trying to run the score up on anybody," Spurrier insisted. "Kentucky kept throwing the ball in the second half. If they had put the ball on the ground, it would have went a lot faster."

Spurrier also said Florida is scoring a lot of points because the Gators' defense is vastly improved. "In the past, other teams were making a lot of first downs and staying out

there."

He said he always asks his players to give their best effort for the entire game and doesn't believe he can stop coaching when the reserves get in the game just to help hold the score down.

"To me, running up the score is calling a timeout at the end of the fourth quarter or when you keep throwing the ball into the end zone," said Spurrier. "Our last eight or nine plays were all runs with walk-ons in the game."

One person who agrees with Florida's return to No. 1 is Phillip Fulmer, coach of No. 15 Tennessee, which will present the Gators with their first serious challenge next Saturday in Knoxville, Tenn.

Fulmer has a vote in the coaches' poll and has picked Florida No. 1 all season.

"Florida probably has the most talented team in the (Southeastern) conference and one of the best teams, perhaps, ever to come into Neyland Stadium," said Fulmer. "They're very solid and well coached."

While everyone knows Spurrier's Gators have a prolific offense, Fulmer agreed that their rise to No. 1 has as much to do with a talented and deep defensive lineup.

"The only saving grace for people in our conference and around the country is they can't put but 11 people on the field at one time," said Fulmer.

SWC restores a little respectability

By Bill Nichols

Austin Bureau of The Dallas Morning News

AUSTIN — National perceptions being what they are — and to the Southwest Conference, they are very low — the SWC's best teams made a strong statement Saturday.

Texas A&M beat Oklahoma, Texas beat Louisville and Baylor beat San Jose State. Throw in TCU's 44-29 victory over New Mexico, and you have four convincing non-conference victories.

All of which left the SWC with two Top 25 teams and another on the border. The Aggies jumped two spots to 14th, Texas went from 20th to 17th, and Baylor was 29th among voters in the Associated Press poll released Sunday.

Even in losing, the SWC maintained its dignity. No. 13 UCLA needed a last-minute defensive stand to stop SMU, 17-10, and Texas Tech kept a few television sets on in the second half before losing to then-No. 1 Nebraska, 42-16.

The only humiliation came from the Houston schools. Rice lost to Tulane at home, and Houston lost to Louisiana Tech. All said, the league looked almost like a league again.

"I would hope people would give us credit," Aggies coach R.C. Slocum said. "You look at the record we've had the last five years, maybe

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It's time to give these people a little credit for what they've done. We have not gotten the credit this team deserves for what it's accomplished."

Slocum has fought a lonely fight as the Aggies won the SWC the past three years. With Texas and Baylor improving, Slocum believes there will be strength in numbers.

"We've all been lumped together," he said. "We're tied to each other a little bit. It's hard to do it by yourself and get the recognition. When you play some of those early games, you get very little credit going into conference games."

Although A&M cannot go to a bowl because of NCAA sanctions, the Aggies hope to attract national attention with an undefeated record. Meanwhile, Texas and Baylor have young teams on the verge of big things.

The Longhorns seemed suspect in a 30-28 opening win over Pittsburgh but left few questions in a 30-16 victory over Louisville. They will have their true national tests against Colorado and Oklahoma. The Bears play Oklahoma State on Saturday in Waco.

"The best teams in any conference get good exposure," UT coach John Mackovic said. "We're playing good teams in different parts of the country. SMU lost a heart-breaker to UCLA ... It's not always the fact that you win those games, but the fact that you played well in those games."

Baylor's weak schedule has not helped its bargaining power. The Bears have rolled over Louisiana Tech and San Jose State. Even coach Chuck Reedy is hard pressed to stake a national claim for his team.

Asked Sunday how good the Bears are, Reedy said, "I don't think anybody knows yet. I don't think we know yet. No offense to Louisiana Tech and San Jose State, but I don't think we've been tested. I've said all along I thought we could be a good football team."

A Top 25 team? "I think we've got to earn that on the field," Reedy said. "You don't do that beating Louisiana Tech and San Jose State. We've got to beat Oklahoma State. If we continue to improve, we certainly can be. I think we're getting closer to that, but we've got to prove ourselves against Oklahoma State."

As does the rest of the league, TCU plays Kansas, and Texas Tech faces Oklahoma in other games with national merit this weekend.

AP COLLEGE FOOTBALL TOP 25

The Top 25 teams in the Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Saturday, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

Team	Record	Pts	Pvs	W-L-T	Points	Prv.	Vs. Top 25	Opp. Records	Next game	AP poll comments
1. Nebraska (34)	2-0-0	1,501	1	2-0-0	1,492	2	0-0-0	1-1-0	at Tennessee (Sat.)	16 straight SEC home wins
2. Nebraska (22)	2-0-0	1,483	1	2-0-0	1,483	1	1-0-0	2-1-0	UCLA	No. 1 rushing offense
3. Florida St. (5)	2-0-0	1,384	2	4-0-0	1,384	4	0-0-0	1-1-0	at Wake Forest (Sat.)	9-2-1 vs. Wake Forest
4. Michigan (2)	2-0-0	1,370	3	6-1-0	1,370	6	1-0-0	1-0-0	Colorado (Sept. 24)	Colorado (Sept. 24)
5. Florida State (1)	2-0-0	1,366	3	5-0-0	1,283	5	0-0-0	1-0-0	Washington (Sept. 24)	Hamilton 4 FGs vs Notre Dame
6. Penn St. (2)	2-0-0	1,260	8	6	1,239	8	1-0-0	2-0-0	Iowa (Sat.)	broke Sun Devil Jinx
7. Colorado	2-0-0	1,259	6	1-0-0	1,116	7	0-0-0	0-1-0	Wisconsin (Sat.)	7-3 vs. Iowa
8. Arizona	2-0-0	1,164	7	1-1-0	1,095	3	0-1-0	1-1-0	at Michigan St. (Sat.)	2-0-1 vs. Wisconsin
9. Notre Dame	2-0-0	1,060	9	2-0-0	1,091	9	0-0-0	1-1-0	at Stanford (Sept. 24)	23-4 vs. MSU since '67
10. Wisconsin	1-0-0	1,015	4	1-1-0	1,015	10	0-0-0	0-1-0	at Colorado (Sat.)	2 TDs for Carter and Dice
11. Alabama	2-0-0	968	10	2-0-0	918	12	0-0-0	1-1-0	LSU (Sat.)	Moss 12 straight 100-yard games
12. UCLA	2-0-0	855	12	2-0-0	877	11	0-0-0	1-0-0	Tulane (Sat.)	3 straight wins vs. LSU
13. North Carolina	1-0-0	763	16	2-0-0	792	13	1-0-0	1-1-0	at Nebraska (Sat.)	4-0 vs. Arkansas
14. Tennessee	1-1-0	693	19	2-0-0	785	16	1-0-0	2-0-0	S. Mississippi (Sept. 24)	Edwards 4½ sacks
15. Texas	2-0-0	687	17	2-0-0	649	19	1-1-0	2-0-0	Florida (Sat.)	Avenged '93 loss to Oklahoma
16. Virginia Tech	2-0-0	645	16	2-0-0	483	21	0-0-0	1-0-0	4-9-2 vs. Tulane	15-8 vs. Florida
17. Brigham Young	2-0-0	355	14	2-0-0	473	21	0-0-0	1-1-0	at TCU (Sept. 24)	First 2-0 start in 9 years
18. Ohio State	1-1-0	327	15	2-0-0	346	25	1-1-0	1-1-0	at Boston College (Sat.)	6 turnovers vs. Southern Miss
19. Oklahoma	1-1-0	273	13	2-0-0	335	14	1-1-0	2-0-0	Baylor (Sept. 24)	RB Kaufman 211 yds
20. Southern Cal	1-1-0	248	24	2-0-0	233	15	0-1-0	2-0-0	Tulane (Sat.)	21 points in 8 minutes
21. Kansas St.	1-0-0	243	21	2-0-0	197	21	0-0-0	1-1-0	Colorado St. (Sat.)	5 turnovers vs. A & M
22. Washington St.	2-0-0	243	22	2-0-0	150	18	0-1-0	1-2-0	Pittsburgh (Sat.)	6 straight wins over Colorado St.
23. Kansas	2-0-0	195	23	2-0-0	130	—	1-0-0	2-1-0	at UCLA (Sept. 24)	16-5 vs. Pitt
24. North Carolina St.	2-0-0	152	—	2-0-0	128	—	1-0-0	2-0-0	W. Carolina (Sept. 24)	No. 1 rushing defense
25. Indiana	2-0-0	97	24	2-0-0	—	—	—	—	BYU	Tigers' worst loss in 14 years

How staff writer Ken Stephens of The Dallas Morning News voted: 1. Nebraska, 2. Florida, 3. Florida State, 4. Michigan, 5. Arizona, 6. Wisconsin, 7. Colorado, 8. Miami, 9. Penn State, 10. Notre Dame, 11. Texas A&M.

Dropped out of Top 25: Clemson (20), Georgia (22), California (23), Stanford (25).

Others receiving votes: Baylor 96, Syracuse 49, Iowa 59, Boston College 54, California 45, Georgia 44, San Diego St. 42, Virginia 41, Utah 27, Clemson 16, Colorado State 13, Duke 8, West Virginia 6, Georgia Tech 5, Michigan St. 5, Mississippi St. 5, Fresno St. 4, South Carolina 4, Tulsa 4, Hawaii 3, LSU 3, Rutgers 2, Stanford 2, Louisiana Tech 1, Western Michigan 1.

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SOUTHWEST UPDATE

By Bill Nichols / Austin Bureau of The Dallas Morning News

SWC standings

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Sidekicks eliminate Pittsburgh, 5-3; goalie Henry injured

By Kevin Shields

Special Contributor to The Dallas Morning News

PITTSBURGH — The Dallas Sidekicks accomplished their first goal Sunday in their bid to repeat as Continental Indoor Soccer League champions, eliminating the Pittsburgh Stingers by virtue of a 5-3 victory at the Civic Arena before 3,106.

Now, their situation in goal has become a concern for their semifinal matchup against the winner of the Washington-Monterrey best-of-three series, which is tied at one game apiece.

Forward David Doyle, the CISL's third-leading scorer during the regular season, replaced injured goal-

keeper Hank Henry in the second half as the Sidekicks won the best-of-three series, 2-0.

Henry injured a ligament in his right knee late in the first quarter when he collided with Stingers midfielder Chris Kelly. Henry stayed in the game and kept the Stingers scoreless throughout the second quarter but succumbed to the pain.

Henry will have a magnetic resonance imaging test performed Monday. "It (Henry's injury) doesn't look good," Jago said.

Doyle was forced to play in goal since the Sidekicks' No. 1 goalie, Joe Papaleo, was scratched and ineligible to play. Jago's plan was to play Henry to keep him sharp, especially if the Sidekicks play at Monterrey.

SUNDAY'S SUMMARY

Dallas 5, Pittsburgh 3

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PITTSBURGH 1 0 1 1-3

FIRST QUARTER — Pittsburgh, Smith 1 (Liley), 5:34; 2, Dallas, Partain 2 (Tatu), 10:00.

SECOND QUARTER — None. **Penalties** — Doyle, Dallas (tripping), 7:49.

THIRD QUARTER — 3, Dallas, Partain 3 (Hayden), 3:32; 4, Pittsburgh, Fabiano 2 (Izotov), 11:36; 5,

Dallas, Stavrou 1 (Reichart), 11:51. **Penalties**:

McDonald, Pittsburgh (tripping), 14:13.

FOURTH QUARTER — 6, Dallas, Reichart 1 (Tatu), 5:11; 7, Pittsburgh, Smith 2 (Kelly), 10:04; 8, Dallas, Tatu 1 (Reichart), 11:16. **Penalties**: Pak, Pittsburgh (misconduct), 11:14.

GOALS — Dallas, Henry 9 shots -7 saves -1 goal allowed; Dallas, Doyle 6-6; Pittsburgh, Petras 33-20-5.

REFEREE — Grigorivit, Frankewicz. A-3, 106.

Papaleo, who soon will give blood as part of a major operation for his daughter, will not travel to Monterrey for fear of disease, according to Jago.

Doyle, who played in the net during the second half in the playoffs last year against Monterrey, stopped six Pittsburgh shots and al-

lowed two goals.

"David's a great goalkeeper," Jago said. "We had no fear about putting him back there. We were concerned because it takes away a massive offensive threat."

But midfielder Curtis Partain picked up the slack by scoring the Sidekicks' first two goals. Partain's

DRIVERS STANDINGS (After 12 of 16 races)

1. Michael Schumacher, Germany 76 pts
2. Damon Hill, Britain 65
3. Gerhard Berger, Austria 33
4. Jean Alesi, France 19
5. Mika Hakkinen, Finland 18

MILLER GENUINE DRAFT 400

(At Richmond, Va.)

LATE SATURDAY RESULTS

With starting position in parentheses, residence, make of car, laps completed, reason out, if any, and winner's average speed in mph:

1. (2) Jacques Villeneuve, Canada, Reynard-Ford Cosworth XB, 50, 116.922.

2. (4) Al Unser Jr., Albuquerque, N.M., Penske-Ilmor V8-D, 50.

3. (9) Emerson Fittipaldi, Brazil, Penske-Ilmor V8-D, 50.

4. (15) Teo Fabi, Italy, Reynard-Ilmor V8-D, 50.

5. (6) Alfonso Fernandez, Mexico, Reynard-Ilmor V8-D, 50.

6. (10) Raul Boesel, Brazil, Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 50.

7. (14) Scott Goodyear, Canada, Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 50.

8. (19) Stefan Johansson, Sweden, 1993 Penske-Ilmor V8-D, 50.

9. (16) Bobby Rahal, Dublin, Ohio, Lola-Honda V8, 50.

10. (13) Scott Sharp, Wilton, Conn., Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 50.

11. (12) Donnie Dobson, Truckee, Calif., Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 50.

12. (21) Christian Danner, Canada, 1993 Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 50.

13. (3) Nigel Mansell, England, Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 50.

14. (27) Hiro Matsuishi, Japan, Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 49.

15. (28) Giovanni Lavaggi, Italy, 1993 Lola-Ilmor V8-C, 49.

16. (7) Mario Andretti, Nazareth, Pa., Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 47, engine failure.

17. (2) Michael Andretti, Nazareth, Pa., Reynard-Ford Cosworth XB, 45, broken exhaust.

18. (4) Paul Tracy, Canada, Penske-Ilmor V8-D, 43, engine failure.

19. (25) Mauricio Gugelmin, Brazil, Reynard Ford-Cosworth XB, 40, engine failure.

20. (18) Mike Gough, Worthington, Ohio, Lola-Honda V8, 38, engine failure.

21. (29) Marco Greco, Brazil, Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 38.

22. (17) Arie Luyendyk, the Netherlands, Lola-Il-

Lumina, 397, \$18,830.

17. (1) Ted Musgrave, Troutman, N.C., Ford Thunderbird, 397, \$18,630.

18. (9) Derrick Cope, Huntersville, N.C., Ford Thunderbird, 396, \$19,900.

20. (16) Todd Bodine, Charlotte, N.C., Ford Thunderbird, 396, \$10,380.

21. (36) Lake Speed, Concord, N.C., Ford Thunderbird, 396, \$17,180.

22. (30) Harry Gant, Taylorsville, N.C., Chevrolet Lumina, 395, \$13,655.

23. (27) Mike Wallace, Concord, N.C., Ford Thunderbird, 394, \$9,480.

24. (4) Bobby Labonte, Trinity, N.C., Pontiac Grand Prix, 394, \$13,355.

25. (15) Ward Burton, Pittsburgh, Va., Chevrolet Lumina, 394, \$7,000.

26. (20) Michael Waltrip, Lake Norman, N.C., Pontiac Grand Prix, 393, \$13,180.

27. (6) Greg Sacks, Winter Park, Fla., Ford Thunderbird, 393, \$9,555.

28. (30) Joe Nemechek, Mooresville, N.C., Chevrolet Lumina, 392, \$8,930.

29. (23) Dave Marcis, Avery's Creek, N.C., Chevrolet Lumina, 388, \$8,905.

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GOOD SPORTS

DEBBIE HESSE

Synchronized swimming executive

Debbie Hesse knows there are people who don't consider synchronized swimming a sport.

Part of her job is to change that perception.

"My big hope is to start promoting this where people see it as a sport," said Hesse, who left her home in Arlington in July to move to Indianapolis to head U.S. Synchronized Swimming. "I don't think a lot of people understand how much training is involved. I've been a swimmer all my life, and synchronized swimming is difficult."

"It takes extreme strength to do a lot of the moves. There is a gymnastics/skating side to it. It has that sort of artistic appeal. I don't think anyone would say a skater is not an athlete. A synchronized swimmer does exactly what a gymnast does, only they do it underwater where they're not taking in any air."

Hesse never competed as a synchronized swimmer. She was a member of the Texas A & M swim team, specializing in the backstroke.

The first time she attended a synchronized event, Hesse said she was awed by the athletic ability of those involved. She describes the team's daily practice routine: eight hours of work in the pool and two more hours devoted to weightlifting and aerobics.

"One thing you hear people say is, 'Oh, it looks too easy,'" Hesse said. "It looks too easy due to the fact they are doing their jobs. It's not easy. Sometimes in sports, people want to see the pain involved. When they come up, they're not taking huge gasps of air. They have a huge smile on their face."

"One of the funniest things we do is on media day when we ask reporters to get in and try to do some of the moves the athletes are doing. Once they get that chance to do it or see it up close, they see how much is involved."

— David Moore

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AROUND THE AREA

MONDAY

College Volleyball

■ University of Dallas at LeTourneau, Longview, 7 p.m. (214) 753-0231.

Golf

■ Scott Murray/Kroger Golf Classic, benefits Kent Waldrep National Paralysis Foundation, Hackberry Creek CC. (214) 869-2631. ■ NTPGA Ping Sectional Championship, Fairway Oaks CC, Abilene.

■ Target-March of Dimes Golf Classic, Las Colinas CC, 9:30 a.m.

■ 14th annual Texas Retired Military Golf Classic, Carswell GC, Squaw Creek GC, Lake Country CC. (817) 782-5601

Horse racing

■ Trinity Meadows, Willow Park. Gates open at noon. Live thoroughbred races, 4 p.m. Simulcasting: Louisiana Downs, 1 p.m.; Del Mar 4 p.m.; \$5; senior citizens \$2.50; under 13 free. Simulcast only, \$2. (817) 441-9240.

Rodeo

■ Kowbell Indoor Rodeo, Mansfield, 8 p.m. Adults \$4, under 12 \$2. (817) 477-3092.

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RUNNING

RODEO

NORTH TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL

RODEO ASSOCIATION

(At Saginaw)

FINAL RESULTS

BAREBACK — 1. Chris Harris, 71 points; 2. Shane Farris, 69; 3. Steve Fox, 58.

CALF ROPING — 1. Eric Luton, 14.751; 2. Brad Foster, 16.765; 3. Shane Bolton, 21.830.

BREAKAWAY — 1. Julie Cook, 3.912; 2. Kristin Snow, 4.375; 3. Julie Shantz, 4.501.

STEER UNDECORATING — 1. Ricky Body, 1.856; 2. Samantha Helen, 1.975; 3. Allison Donley, 2.164.

RIBBON ROPING — 1. Brandon Barton, 10.402; 2. Shane Bolton, 10.624; 3. Tara Parker, 11.630.

COW TYPING — 1. Janey Jones, 9.156; 2. Jennifer Nichols, 10.297; 3. Tara Parker, 10.750.

STEER WRESTLING — 1. J.D. Sowers, 5.614; 2. Ricky Wilson, 5.909; 3. Chad Weaver, 7.950.

TEAM ROPING-HEELER — 1. Brad Foster, 8.148; 2. Scotty McCoy, 14.118; 3. Cody Mills, 16.332.

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CHUTE DOGGING — 1. Ricky Wilson, 3.597; 2. Doug Maylor, 3.612; 3. James Gaugh, 4.743.

PULL RING — 1. Jana Ayers, 16.289; 2. Heather Craig, 16.363; 3. Crystal Doster, 16.699.

POLE BENDING — 1. Kelly Kendrick, 20.776; 2. Heather Craig, 20.979; 3. April Jordan, 21.149.

BULL RIDING — 1. Tony Petrie, 72; 2. Rusty Hamby, 70; 3. Justin Landers, 69.

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SUNDAY'S RESULTS

OVERALL WINNER — Bradley Gardner, 40.50

MASTERS WINNER — Darius Baer, 42.52

MEN'S AGE GROUP RESULTS

29-Under 1. Richard Ramirez, 47.35; 2. Joe Bates, 48.44; 3. Mike Hughes, 49.32.

30-34 1. Kevin Kendrick, 40.57; 2. James Riordan, 47.00; 3. Greg Weber, 47.55.

35-39 1. Bradley Gardner, 40.50; 2. Richard Weber, 43.32; 3. Dave Davis, 43.44.

40-44 1. Darius Baer, 42.52; 2. Ken Ashby, 43.56; 3. Alan Gold, 44.57.

45-49 1. Mark Benham, 43.02; 2. Phil Cisneros, 47.34; 3. Billy Langston, 48.15.

50-54 1. Jim Engstrom, 46.44; 2. James Erickson, 50.10; 3. Frank McGinty, 52.45.

55-59 1. John Cooper, 54.36; 2. Bud Tellinson, 56.07; 3. Bill Harrison, 52.41.

60-Over 1. Robert Coffey, 52.52; 2. J. Redwine Patterson, 65.04.

WOMEN'S RESULTS

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30-34 1. Mollie Snell, 49.06; 2. Kathy Jajoski, 53.31; 3. Marianti Colorado, 50.31.

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FOOTBALL

CFL

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Team W L T PF PA Pts

Winnipeg 6 4 0 367 334 12

Baltimore 6 4 0 293 267 12

Toronto 6 4 0 274 348 8

Ottawa 3 7 0 292 363 6

Hamilton 3 7 0 230 294 6

Shreveport 0 10 0 184 384 0

WESTERN DIVISION

Team W L T PF PA Pts

Calgary 8 2 0 404 187 16

British Columbia 8 1 393 238 17

Edmonton 7 3 0 297 227 14

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HORSE RACING

TRINITY MEADOWS ENTRIES

(At Willow Park)
Monday, 4:00
Handicapper-Harry Stern

Sunday 3-12-94 2-40 .300
Meet 157-571 132-40 .301

Best Bet: Aly Fram in the third

Note: *-apprentice jockey; x-did not

finish; a,b-coupled for wagering; L-Lasix; L1-Lasix

for first time; f-field horses.

1st-\$3,850 7 fur., F&M 3yos & up TB cim \$6,250
pp horse jockey wt odds Last 3
1 Duchie's Diamond-L Frazier 117 5-2 9-5 1-1
4 Colleen-L Dupuy 117 5-2 6-3-2
7 My Glamour Gal Trahan 117 5-2 2-5-1
6 Sun Cure Clura White 122 6-1 4-1-2
2 Tu Tee-L Whetsone 117 10-1 2-4-3
3 Strawberry Sugar-L Stanton 117 15-1 3-4-5
5 Quie Flight-L Coburn 117 12-1 2-9-2

2nd-\$3,100 6 fur., 3yos & up TB cim \$2,500
pp horse jockey wt odds Last 3
6 Gettengen Whetsone 122 6-1 4-3-2
5 Dance Encounter-L Schach 122 5-2 5-2-2
8 Sonner Special-L Coburn 122 4-1 5-5-2
2 Prince Diamond Peterson 122 6-1 5-7-3
3 Tailsin Tommy-L Stanton 122 8-1 4-4-9
4 Fall Ridge-L Munoz 122 12-1 7-11-9
7 Humorous Helton 122 15-1 9-8-5
1 Dynas Creative Art-L White 122 15-1 6-9-10

3rd-\$3,200 1 mile, 3yos & up, TB mdn cim \$6,250
pp horse jockey wt odds Last 3
1 Aly Fram-L Coburn 114 6-5 2-9-6
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3 Yewvana-L Peterson 114 9-1 10-3
1 Winning Man Stanton 117 8-1 8-5-4
5 Honest Judgement Munoz 117 10-1 1-1-1
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2 Book Him Whetsone 117 20-1 12-1-2
4 Dash on The Mess White 117 20-1 10-9-5

4th-\$3,650, 6 fur., 3yos & up TB cim \$6,250
pp horse jockey wt odds Last 3
9 Texas Northern-L Munoz 117 5-2 9-2-8
2 Bankers Robe Helton 112 4-1 2-9-5
6 Codex Bronze Clark 114 9-2 1-2-1
3 My Glamour Gal Coburn 117 5-2 8-3-2
11 Explosive Royalty White 114 10-1 5-8-8
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Cowboys slip past Oilers

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couldn't be blamed on coaches. Two offside penalties on third-down plays contributed to both of the Cowboys' touchdown drives. There was a seemingly harmless infraction on a punt that, in essence, cost the Oilers 27 yards in field position. Another time Charles Haley laid out Richardson after the whistle had blown and yet nothing was called.

Had the little things not gone

TEXAS TANGLES

The Cowboys improved to 5-3 in their regular-season series with the Houston Oilers. The rundown:

Year	Result
1970 at Dallas 52	Houston 10
1974 Dallas 10	at Houston 0
1979 Houston 30	at Dallas 24
1982 Dallas 37	at Houston 7
1985 Dallas 17	at Houston 10
1988 Houston 25	at Dallas 17
1991 at Houston 26	Dallas 23 (OT)
1994 at Dallas 20	Houston 17

right for the Cowboys, they would have joined the 49ers and many others with a 1-1 record. Houston's Gary Brown outrushed Emmitt Smith, 93 yards to 90. Richardson outgained Troy Aikman in total yards, 279-236. But the Oilers' repeated mistakes, climaxed by a roughing-the-passer call on Eddie Robinson following a second-down Aikman incompletion, buried Houston.

Switzer said he felt before the game that the Oilers would go with Richardson, the scrambler from Texas A&M drafted as a defensive back, over the injured Cody Carlson. "And I didn't want to face Bucky," Switzer said.

Late Sunday afternoon, a Texas Stadium crowd of 64,402 had learned why. Although Richardson, too, made mistakes with two interceptions, he nearly scrambled his way to a major upset of the Cowboys.

"He's a much better passer now than he was in college," said cornerback Kevin Smith, a former teammate. "But as far as his spirit, his mentality, that's the same."

The Cowboys' defense matched that spirit with four sacks and two interceptions — Haley's second and Darren Woodson's first in a regular season game. Woodson's set up Aik-



The Dallas Morning News: Ken Geiger

Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman scrambles for yardage late in the second quarter Sunday against Houston at Texas Stadium. The seven-

yard gain helped set up Chris Boniol's 29-yard field goal just before halftime, and the points proved crucial in the Cowboys' 20-17 victory.

Oilers complain about Haley's hit on Richardson

By Ed Werder

Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

IRVING — Bucky Richardson appeared to have a legitimate complaint when Cowboys pass-rusher Charles Haley lowered his helmet and delivered a brutal shot after the whistle.

"That's football, but I couldn't believe they didn't throw a flag because it was clearly after the whistle," Richardson said. "I don't think it was malicious. But it still was a penalty."

Referee Neil Gereb apparently detected no malice and thus imposed no penalty on the Cowboys. Haley

continued his charge after every other player on both teams appeared to stop when back judge Jim Poole blew his whistle to call a delay-of-game penalty.

The incensed Oilers complained about a perceived double standard since Oilers linebacker Eddie Robinson hit Troy Aikman in the helmet and was called for roughing the passer.

"Charles Haley comes in and nails Bucky but there was no call," defensive end Kenny Davidson said. "They're not going to let a call like that settle the outcome of a ballgame unless it happens to a player like Troy Aikman, and that's because he's Troy."

Not much silver lining in this clouded win

GALLOWAY

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ship pedigree from the Jimmy Johnson days, and a bunch of luck, prevented it.

To make note, however, that when it was over, Barry Switzer had the same post-game outlook as in Pittsburgh. He was Mr. Rah-Rah, preaching that tired old coaching sermon about "a win is a win is a win"

Maybe in the Big Eight, Barry, but in this league, it's usually best if a coach doesn't try to put earrings on a pig. Of interest is this was Switzer's first opportunity to publicly give a message to his team about losing focus and such, but instead, he chuckled a lot and said things like, "All we wanted was the win. We let them have the stats."

Well, it worked against Iowa State.

Thank goodness for the refreshing honesty of Aikman, who snarled his way through a post-game interview session. His hostile

attitude properly reflected the situation and was proof once again Aikman has become a "Junior Jimmy."

When one question centered on him displaying frustration on the field, Aikman fired back, "Were you watching the same game I was playing?"

Unfortunately, yes.

With the margin of victory being a field goal, there are two factors to consider. Rookie Chris Boniol excelled for the second consecutive week, meaning kicking coach Steve Hoffman has apparently located yet another jewel. Hoffman, for what it's worth, has not been wrong in his five years here when it comes to kickers or punters.

It obviously was important that Boniol nailed a 45-yarder in the second quarter, the longest of his two-week NFL career. But a Boniol "gimme" from 29 yards to close the first half was a play-calling gift from Gilbride. Ryan would have been throwing more punches when Gilbride didn't run out the halftime clock, allowing a struggling Dallas

the opportunity to break a 10-10 tie. This has become a trend — the Steelers did the same stupid thing last week.

For the one play that turned the game to the Cowboys, you can dial up Jim Jeffcoat and Darren Woodson in the third quarter. Richardson had Houston with a first down at the Dallas 19, trailing 13-10. For once, Bucky hung in the pocket, which actually was the right thing to do since receiver Haywood Jeffires had juked cornerback Larry Brown and was floating through the end zone without a defender within 10 yards.

Suddenly, however, that pocket collapsed. Jeffcoat, the old-timer, came through again, bulling inside of blocker Brad Hopkins and smacking into Richardson just as he released the ball. Bucky got off a spiral, but without any mustard behind it. A leaping Woodson snatched away an interception at the nine-yard line. The Oilers, who were on a roll at the time, came away with exactly nothing.

It was one of those wins where you don't come out of it feeling so great," he said.

Now, if only somebody will clue in the coach.

"I thought I had the sack . . . I didn't know he even threw it," Jeffcoat said. "Who made the interception, anyway? I never found out."

Asked how he read the team's attitude coming in, Jeffcoat said, "I absolutely don't think it was a case of overlooking them. We see them so much every summer, we know their talent, and we respect it. Me, I expected a struggle today."

But even Switzer made at least one valid post-game observation. "We needed this," he said, meaning a return to earth after Pittsburgh

within 10 yards.

"Oh, I definitely think we need it," added Woodson. "We were believing the hype of that Pittsburgh game — that we were this great, awesome team."

Fullback Daryl Johnston also was among those who wasn't in a celebrating post-game mood.

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Shante Carver (90) and Leon Lett reach for a fumble by Houston's Bucky Richardson. The Oilers recovered.

Masterful Montana keeps Young, 49ers at bay in quarterback battle

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like he has always done. He's a warrior. There's nothing he can't do."

Montana gave the Chiefs a 7-0 lead on a 67-yard, 11-play drive to open the game. He capped it with a feathery, one-yard scoring pass to Joe Valerio on a tackle-eligible play.

The 49ers scored touchdowns on back-to-back possessions in the second quarter to take a 14-7 lead. Young threw a five-yard scoring pass to tight end Brent Jones and Marc Logan powered one yard over left tackle for the other.

But Derrick Thomas picked up his second of three sacks of Young later in the quarter, this one for a safety. Montana threw an eight-yard touchdown pass to tight end Keith Cash and a two-point conversion

pass to J.J. Birden to give the Chiefs a 17-14 lead in the third quarter.

The 49ers then turned the ball over four times in the final 24 min-

utes in an offensive meltdown.

Young threw his two interceptions in the third quarter — one of which set up a Marcus Allen touchdown —

and San Francisco fumbled twice in the fourth.

Still, the 49ers had chances to close in on Kansas City. Trailing, 24-14, midway through the fourth quarter, San Francisco had a first-and-goal at the Chiefs' five. Two runs by Ricky Watters moved the ball to the two, and then Young tried a bootleg on third down. But safety David Whitmore, who came to Kansas City in the Montana trade, made a fine open-field tackle for no gain. The 49ers had to settle for a field goal.

Later, San Francisco had a chance to force an overtime. Young hit John Taylor with a six-yard pass to the Kansas City 46. But Taylor fumbled, and it again was recovered by the Chiefs.

QB COMPARISON

	Att.	Com.	Yds.	TD	Int.
Montana	31	19	203	2	0
Young	34	24	288	1	2

The 49ers never got the ball back. Montana burned the final 2:23 with an eight-play drive.

The Chiefs remained unbeaten on the season (2-0), and Montana remained unbeaten at Arrowhead (7-0). The 49ers left Kansas City with their first loss and as much respect for Montana as they brought to Arrowhead.

"Joe is Joe," 49ers guard Jesse Sapolu said. "Nobody here will deny the ability he has. We all know he's a tremendous asset."